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## NIGHT CLUB BAPTISTS BOUGHT, HOUSES THRIVING CHURCH



Choir and pulpit platform of Eastside Baptist Church, Pascagoula. The place worn white in the red plush carpet marks the spot where the drummer sat when the club orchestra played.



Rev. A. L. Ott in pastor's study in Eastside Church. Inset is Rev. J. L. Morgan, organizer of the church.

### Congress Failure Suspends Census Of Religious Bodies

WASHINGTON, D. C. —(BP)—Failure of Congress to appropriate funds for continuation of the Census of Religious Bodies has forced the Bureau of the Census to suspend all work on that undertaking. J. C. Capt, director, announced upon the Congress' adjournment.

Capt said that the census was little over half complete, and that the proportion of returns from most denominations falls between 40 and 80 per cent. "It seems clear," he said, "that the size of the residual group is so great that no summary statistics of any sort can be derived from the schedules now available."

(Southern Baptists had been particularly anxious for completion of the census since the 1936 figures still being used are not representative of the denomination's true size and have resulted in penalization of Baptists in many phases of activity.)

### State Aid Issue To N. Y. Supreme Court

ALBANY, N. Y. —(RNS)—The issue of state aid to a religious institution arose here in the Supreme Court of the State of New York.

Henry Adsit Bull, a Buffalo attorney, made application for an injunction to prevent financial support by the state of a classroom expansion program at Canisius College, Buffalo, which is operated by Jesuits.

An allocation of \$128,000 had been made to Canisius by the State Emergency Housing joint board to convert an abandoned hospital into classrooms for veterans as part of a state-wide program advocated by Governor Thomas E. Dewey.

Bull charged that state aid to a denominational institution is in violation of a section of the state constitution dealing with expenditures of public money to aid colleges in which denominational tenets and doctrines are taught.

### SOUTHWIDE GIFTS ARE UP —BUT NOT ENOUGH

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BP)—Southern Baptist contributed a total of \$4,281,212.74 to Southwide causes the first six months of 1947, but Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, warns that achievement of the year's financial goals will fall far short unless this fall's titling campaign is a resounding success.

Though the total six-month figure is an increase of \$350,000 over receipts at the Southwide office at this time last year, it includes only \$2,558,369.79 in undesignated Co-operative Program Funds.

"On the basis of these receipts, there will be only \$116,000 of undesignated Co-operative Program funds to be divided among all the agencies for their capital needs instead of the \$3,500,000 originally planned," Dr. McCall said.

The first \$5,000,000 of 1947 undesignated receipts must be used for current operating expenses of the agencies. The remainder of the \$10,000,000 goal for designated and undesignated money was to be used for capital needs.

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### The Washington Review

By Larston D. Farar

Religious News Service Correspondent

#### Church Representatives Criticize 'Hostile Attitude' of Congressmen

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Representatives of church groups who testify on Capitol Hill are running into an increasingly hostile attitude on the part of many Congressmen, particularly Republicans.

Although witnesses appearing for and against bills always have had to (Continued on Page Two)

By Margie P. McCall  
Where a night club orchestra used to sit and bang out tunes until day-break, a choir now sings the songs of Zion . . . where the "emcee" once held forth, a pastor behind a pulpit preaches the Gospel of the Savior from sin . . . and where floor shows were once staged twice each night, is an altar where believers in the Lord of Life make public their faith in God!

Baptists made a good exchange when they purchased the once widely advertised Comet Club, one of the Mississippi coast's "night spots," and converted the building into a church dedicated to preaching the Gospel.

The little room, now the pastor's study, finished with knotty pine, and now lined with shelves full of well worn religious books and Bibles, was once the "exchange room" where the club kept the money for the gambling tables, roulette wheels, poker (Continued on Page Two)

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### Catholics Turn Protestant

OMAHA, Neb. —(BP)—Long newspaper stories of the past few years about prominent individuals who left protestant churches to accept Catholicism look pretty much like a publicity stunt in the light of revelations here.

A survey by the Omaha Council of Churches indicated that four times as many Roman Catholics are uniting with protestant churches as are protestants joining Catholic churches. A statement by George S. Bancroft, survey committee chairman, announced:

"A tabulation of our studies just completed shows that this exchange has been going on in 51 protestant churches studied in the ratio of 4.57 Roman Catholics received to one protestant entering the Catholic Church. Of all the churches reporting, only two reported more losses to the Catholic Church than gains of Catholics to their own membership."

## "MY MOUTH WAS BITTER SINCE BEFORE THE WAR"

By A. L. Goodrich

She was an old, shrivelled, emaciated-looking woman in one of the slum sections of Rome. She lived in the dregs of the city that once ruled the world. Perhaps I should say she existed, for that is about all you can do in two small rooms inhabited by eleven people. It was mid-afternoon, but no sunlight seemed ever to have gotten into those two small rooms. And there was no space for it anyway. In fact, there was not much space for anything, for the two small dark rooms had to serve as living room, kitchen, dining room and bed rooms. Two double beds were crowded into one room and two folding beds stood

in corners of the other. When asked how eleven people could sleep on four beds she pointed to the floor with extended arms. The interpreter said that she meant that the others had to sleep on the floor.

All around were bombed areas although this building had escaped. The whole block was just one large building with corridors here and there, and people, young and old, everywhere. If there were water facilities or other sanitary fixtures, we didn't see them, but our nose and eyes sensed the need of them.

Wages Low — Prices High

The old woman was as neat as such (Continued on Page Two)



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surroundings would permit. Her clothes were old years ago. Patches here and there silently but eloquently emphasized her fight against poverty as well as her desperate struggle to overcome the clothing shortage. But if clothing had been plentiful I doubt if she could have purchased them, for I was told that many laborers earn less than 500 Lira per day and this amounts to 83 cents in American money. Soap is 50 cents per cake and peaches 5 cents each.

Before leaving the United States I had secured from Baptist Building Workers and from a few friends at Clinton (where I live) a small quantity of soap, thread, needles, candy, and pins. A carload would have been donated, but baggage regulations restricted the amount I could carry.

With the aid of Dr. W. Dewey Moore, our missionary to Italy, I secured the help of Rev. Veneziano, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Rome. In an army truck which was secured for use by the Baptist Orphanage through the help of Rev. C. O. Daniels, Scooba pastor, but then U.S. Army chaplain, Pastor Veneziano and I sought out some needy families. When the old lady described above was told who I was and the purpose of my visit, her face brightened and a light sparkled in her eyes that I do not expect to see duplicated this side of heaven. Her first words were, "My mouth was bitter since before the war." The pastor explained that she meant that she had not tasted sweets since before the war. AND it took some time to explain to her that the pins, needles, thread and CANDY were hers. She was so happy she couldn't say much but she later sent a letter written in Italian which I have had translated. It reads as follows:

#### A Letter of Gratitude

Caro (Dear) Signor (Mr.) Goodrich: In the name also of all of my family I thank you from the heart for your kind visit and for the gift of love which you made to us.

May the Lord bless you abundantly in your work.

With gratitude and Christian affection we salute you.

Yours in Christ,  
VITO PROFETA

A few minutes later I climbed four flights of steps and groped my way through numerous dimly lighted halls to another home. The room was full of people and they were praying. Pastor and visitor stood silently until the prayer was over. The wife was ill. The visitors who were fellow Christians, instead of joining the thousands in drinking and carousing at the sidewalk cafes had come (after a day of toil) to have a prayer meeting.

Even though the husband was a Catholic, he took a silent part in the prayer meeting and followed me to the sidewalk to thank me for the aid which I had brought.

After explaining, through an interpreter, who I was and the purpose of my visit, I handed the thread, needles, etc., to the sick wife. After many gestures of thanks and expressions of appreciation she said, "Even if we cannot speak the same language, we know the same Lord and love the same Savior." Pointing heavenward, she said, "When we get up yonder we can talk the same tongue." A few days later she wrote a letter of thanks which I have had

translated and it reads as follows:

Caro Signor Goodrich:

I am very grateful to you for your kind thought in coming to visit me in my long and trying illness.

I thank you also for your gift. The love of American Christians for us all has been great and marvelous.

The Lord continue to make you prosper in everything.

Sincerely yours,  
CELESTE ANATOLIA

Many other families in Rome were made happy because of the gifts of Jackson and Clinton Baptists, but space will permit only the following letter from the widow of a pastor:

#### A Pastor's Widow Writes

Caro Fratello Goodrich:

I beg you to accept my heart-felt gratitude for the help that you have been to me in coming to my aid through Pastor Veneziano.

Please also thank the sisters of America who have given thought to me in these difficult moments.

Every good wish for your magnificent work.

God bless you!

ROMILDA ROSA (Widow of a pastor)

"I hope you never know the pangs of hunger" were the words of a German woman in Hamburg, Germany. Formerly well-to-do, the wife of a prominent pre-war German diplomat, she had lived through the bombing of Hamburg which she said caused 20,000 deaths in 25 minutes. Her own lovely three-story home was ruined and everything they had was destroyed. Today the family exists, not lives, in the ruins of that bomb-shattered home. She had not sought help, but after learning of the family's plight I was happy to pass on to her some thread, needles, soap and sugar. The thread, she said, meant the difference between clothes and nakedness next winter. And by this she meant that the thread would enable her to make the shabby and threadbare clothes she had, last longer. And I never expect to see a brighter expression on any face, angelic or otherwise, than her face when a small package of sugar was placed in her hands. Her words were, "You will never know what this means."

#### Germans Look Hungry

According to this woman, they sometimes stand in line as much as three hours for bread and often as not the bread gives out before their time comes. Fats are not to be had and clothes that we do not think worth giving away are considered a luxury.

The older people in Germany are hopeless while the younger ones are discouraged, but they try to put on a bold front, hoping for the best, but fearing the worst. Everybody is undernourished and there is much tuberculosis because of lack of food. A twelve year old girl in the family mentioned above already has TB. Last winter because of lack of coal they nearly froze and the mother had frozen feet.

In Hamburg I saw no one well-dressed. All look shabby and most people had on ill-fitting clothes whereas before the war Germany was noted for its tidiness. Now they seem hopeless and careless.

#### Allies Squabble

A chaplain who is stationed in Germany explained why the rubble remained in the streets just as it fell during the bombardments—the Germans are not permitted to clean up. He says the Allies are too busy squab-



MRS. ROY MCGLAMERY

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., July 22—Mrs. Roy C. McGlamery, the former Orlene Ellis of Mathiston, a 1933 graduate of Blue Mountain College, who with her husband has been appointed a missionary to Colombia, South America.

### Urges More Militant Clergy

BUFFALO, N.Y. —(RNS)— "The modern minister's greatest danger is that of becoming an hireling," the Rev. Travis A. White, pastor of First Christian church, Little Rock, Ark., told the International Convention of Disciples of Christ here.

"The characteristics of an hireling come upon us as a sort of spiritual creeping paralysis when the idealism and vigor of youth are blunted and weakened by the passing of years," Mr. White explained. "We begin to love security more than adventure and struggle. We see the so-called 'common sense' of compromise rather than face inevitable conflict with forces 'playing for keeps.'"

Declaring that "there must be a rebirth of the spirit of aggressiveness in our pulpits," Mr. White said:

#### What God Needs

"God does not work through machinery, but through men. He doesn't anoint plans. He anoints men. He doesn't commission methods. He commissions men. The church is looking for better methods; God is looking for better men. God this day needs preachers who will be good shepherds, prophetic preachers and doers of the word in their local parishes."

bling among themselves.

While passing through Germany, one of the most pitiful sights I saw was the children lined up along the railroad tracks. Pale, undernourished, ragged and weak-looking they anxiously watched for any scraps that passengers might throw out.

The last words of the German housewife were, "Be certain to express my gratitude to the Mississippi friends for these unexpected but welcome gifts that mean so much to me and my family."

I am not just talking through my hat when I say that gifts like those simple but useful ones described above warm hearts and heal hurts and cement Christian fellowship.

To carry the articles named above I had to leave at home a few needed articles and terribly crowd my luggage. To distribute it caused me to miss a supper and have to omit some sight-seeing, but those looks of love and expressions of appreciation and gestures of thanks more than repaid any little inconveniences. My life is richer, my trip was more profitable and I am glad to have helped a few Mississippi Baptists scatter a little sunshine among needy Italians and Germans.

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and other games. This gambling room itself, located at the rear, now serves as the Primary Department of the Sunday School. Where a complete bar and "cocktail lounge" was situated, the Baptists have the church kitchen where Christian fellowship is enjoyed and the Sunday School Nursery Department for the little folks.

The main church auditorium was used by Comet Club as the main dance floor, and dining room. The walls are finished in a pale green and cream color scheme, and the canopy above the stage is designed to provide excellent acoustics. Window fans make the place delightfully cool. The present pastor, A. L. Ott, and his attractive wife along with a steadily growing membership of earnest Christians make the work count for the Kingdom of God.

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### THE WASHINGTON REVIEW

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identify themselves and to give reasonable assurances that they spoke for large groups, if they so claimed, many Republicans have made it a habit to inquire closely into the exact number of voters the church witnesses claim to speak for.

In some instances, church witnesses have come away from Congressional hearings weary and shaken, complaining of the "badgering" they received at the hands of the politicians.

Congressmen disclaim any intent to unnerve, or harass, church representatives. The legislators say privately that they are convinced many groups with "high-sounding" names and extravagant claims of membership have been injecting themselves into too many headings and trying to pressure Congress too regularly.

In all fairness to Congressmen, it should be pointed out that they always have inquired into the claims of representation of other groups. The U. S. Chamber of Commerce, spokesman for big business on the Hill, was questioned along these lines for so long a time that its officials began to poll the membership before taking a stand on any important national issue.

#### CHURCH-STATE SEPARATION

When Dr. Joseph M. Dawson, executive secretary here of the Baptist Joint Conference Committee on Public Relations, started recently to compile a booklet of statements by church and civic groups against use of public funds for private schools and American representation at the Vatican, he had no idea it would be such a "big" job, he said here.

But the petitions and resolutions, coming from hundreds of sources and signed by thousands of Americans in all walks of life, will make an impressive volume, in his opinion.

When the book is completed, he will use it in the same fashion as the Quakers recently used their volume of reports and declarations against peacetime conscription—by showing it to Congressmen, both at their offices and during hearings on bills which are connected with the subjects.

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The Christian worker who knows how to use his Bible has great influence in the world. God has promised that His Word will not return unto Him void. It will accomplish His purpose. It is our business to proclaim the Word.—J. E. Lambdin in *The Baptist Training Union Magazine*.



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# Mississippi Baptists—Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." 1 Cor. 13:8

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"Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." Jesus in Matthew 7:12.

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Starting in September we will begin a question and answer paragraph on this page. Ask any question you will about His work. We will answer it as we may be able. His people need to know about how His work is carried on! Sign your communication! Your name will not be printed! Let your questions come along!

### I

There is not a dynamic pastor but that some of his members feel at times he is trying to "drive them."

There is not a dynamic deacon but that some folks in his church feel he is trying to "run things."

There is not a dynamic church but that some nearby church feels itself overshadowed selfishly.

There is not a dynamic denominational worker but that somebody around feels he is trying to tell them what to do.

Well, what shall we do? Don't sit down! Don't become disgusted and quit! That is from the devil in the first place, to defeat God and you! Don't let him do it! Find and follow the will of the Lord! They will criticize you if you do! They will criticize you if you don't! So do and keep on doing the will of the Lord!

Remember, the fable of the man, the boy, and the donkey. The man rode the donkey, folks talked. The boy rode the donkey, folks talked. They both rode the donkey, folks talked. The donkey rode them (on their shoulders)—in the river he went. Folks are still talking!

The Lord knew not to put joints in the human tongue. Result would have been hot boxes, unless indeed grease cups had been fitted on, top, bottom, and both sides. Matthew 11:16-19, James, chapter 3. Matthew 12:33-45.

### II

It is easy to excuse ourselves in our lack of evangelistic conquest by talking of predestination, the hardness of sin, the activity of the devil, etc. As a matter of fact we Christians are responsible for multitudes of lost people being in the world today. Think what would happen if His church members started walking sidewalks, going down roadways, making a house to house visitation of friendliness and love in soul winning. Think what would happen if church members started packing His house of worship on Wednesday nights at prayer meeting. Think what would happen if we gladly gave our young people for His work within the State and abroad. Think what would happen if His people brought tithe money—holy unto the Lord—along with offerings to His storehouse for all His work! Think what would happen if His people consecrated themselves unto the Lord!

Yes, we Christians share with the devil much responsibility for lost people being all around us, for His churches being undermanned, and for fields white unto harvest remaining unentered! What tragedy! What guilt! God still says "Who will go for me?" Isaiah 6:8. Matthew 28:18-20. Mark 16:15. Romans 10:13-15. Acts 1:8.

### III

Below we quote four tables of statistics from the very fine 1947 Southern Baptist Handbook. From these figures you will not only find what Southern Baptists are doing but by making various comparisons you will find where your state stands. We may say with favorable pride that while Mississippi has the lowest per capita income it stands well up in the column of contributions as the figures show.

Even so, last year we gave only 3% of our income. Think what it would mean if we gave 10% plus as set forth in the Scripture.

We should be baptizing more people while we are giving more money. The tables follow:

## Summary of Southern Baptist Statistics—1946

(As reported in Associational Minutes)

Items	1945	1946	Gains and Losses
Churches	26,134	26,401	267 (1.0%)
Associations	923	928	5
Ordained Ministers	24,577	24,791	214
Baptisms	256,699	253,361	3,338 loss (1.3%)
Church Members	5,865,554	6,079,305	213,751 (3.6%)
Sunday Schools	24,968	25,435	467 (1.9%)
Sunday School Enrollment	3,525,310	3,738,924	213,614 (6.1%)
Training Union Enrollment	703,332	802,859	99,527 (14.2%)
W.M.U. Enrollment	739,360	767,521	28,161 (3.8%)
Brotherhood Enrollment	38,538	71,412	32,874 (85.3%)
Vacation Bible School Enrollment	801,218	1,055,078	254,460 (31.8%)
Church Houses	24,532	24,979	447 (1.8%)
Pastors' Homes	5,395	6,600	1,205 (22.3%)
Value of Church Property	276,089,771	313,053,779	36,964,008 (13.4%)
Gifts for Local Work	75,967,674	87,986,245	12,018,571 (15.8%)
Gifts for Missions and Benevolences	22,490,751	27,240,704	4,749,953 (21.1%)

Total Gifts for All Purposes \$ 98,458,425 \$115,226,949 \$ 16,768,524 (17.0%)

Debt on Southern Baptist church property in 1946 was \$16,450,000.

A total of \$44,280,468 was reported by churches in building and reserve funds.

## Number and Ratio of Baptisms by States

States	Church Membership 1946	Baptisms 1945	Baptisms 1946	Percentage Increase 1946	Ratio to 1945
Alabama	463,969	20,391	18,200	-10.7	1 to 25.5
Arizona	6,846	476	724	+52.1	1 to 9.4
Arkansas	195,860	9,592	9,874	+2.9	1 to 19.8

California	11,577	1,260	1,583	+25.6	1 to 7.3
Dist. of Columbia	26,530	1,203	910	-24.3	1 to 29.1
Florida	213,270	13,132	11,846	-9.8	1 to 18.0
Georgia	619,141	20,507	21,421	+4.4	1 to 28.9
Illinois	94,793	3,375	3,424	+1.4	1 to 27.7
Kentucky	471,284	18,607	17,913	-3.7	1 to 26.3
Louisiana	246,010	11,269	10,324	-8.4	1 to 23.8
Maryland	26,778	1,264	1,029	-18.6	1 to 26.0
Mississippi	335,275	13,249	13,043	-1.5	1 to 25.7
Missouri	316,525	12,777	12,484	-2.3	1 to 25.3
New Mexico	32,580	1,916	2,059	+7.5	1 to 15.8
North Carolina	606,370	24,843	24,106	-3.0	1 to 25.1
Oklahoma	287,644	15,367	14,578	-5.1	1 to 19.7
South Carolina	330,919	12,849	12,585	-2.0	1 to 26.3
Tennessee	512,374	23,099	21,554	-6.7	1 to 23.8
Texas	970,970	41,534	44,419	+6.9	1 to 21.8
Virginia	310,590	9,989	11,285	+13.0	1 to 27.5
Total	6,079,305	256,699	253,361	-1.3	1 to 24.0

## Southern Baptist Executive Committee Receipts For Denominational Causes for Year Ending December 31, 1946

State	Co-operative Program	Designated	Centennial Offering	World Relief
Alabama	\$ 213,545.87	\$ 127,276.61		\$ 241,590.38
Arizona	8,550.49	4,397.79	12.50	6,576.90
Arkansas	130,965.24	64,675.00	518.61	113,411.42
California	6,516.28	6,794.40		3,355.76
Dist. of Columbia	21,394.86	18,111.19		16,348.47
Florida	192,935.12	136,227.19	94.75	245,869.81
Georgia	291,542.18	179,715.23	605.02	313,831.66
Illinois	71,505.69	32,025.36		60,165.54
Kentucky	372,367.72	114,718.42	211.62	295,104.04
Louisiana	162,021.79	94,999.21	113.87	101,551.86
Maryland	41,630.42		54.34	
Mississippi	210,275.55	141,232.91		135,952.88
Missouri	237,851.95	99,793.62	1.00	158,519.73
New Mexico	22,616.36	19,506.29		36,813.93
North Carolina	452,647.28	314,567.45	309.94	355,447.03
Oklahoma	208,603.49	121,777.76	7,186.39	179,621.99
South Carolina	371,837.13	9,599.30	241.62	267,542.55
Tennessee	452,168.39	124,942.57		225,665.02
Texas	730,020.01	294,205.15		709,801.64
Virginia	402,846.84	100.00		250,772.71
Specials	369.82	467.45		25,357.41
Total	\$4,602,212.48	\$1,905,132.90	\$ 9,349.66	\$3,743,300.73
Total (1945)	3,860,708.37	1,627,668.12	244,292.37	
* Increase, ** Decrease	*741,504.11	*277,464.78	**234,942.71	*3,743,300.73

## Income and Gifts of Southern Baptists—1946

States	Estimated Population—1945 (Excluding Armed Forces Overseas)	Baptist Membership	Estimated Per Cap. Income	Estimated Baptist Income	P. Cap. Gifts Local	P. Cap. Gifts Mis.
Alabama	2,812,301	463,969	\$ 700	\$ 324,778,300	\$11.11	\$ 2.92
Arizona	630,298	6,846	918	6,284,628	34.01	8.24
Arkansas	1,779,817	195,860	654	128,092,440	17.08	4.04
California	8,822,688	11,577	1,480	17,133,960	39.85	4.79
Dist. of Columbia	938,458	26,530	1,361	36,107,330	25.22	10.38
Florida	2,385,917	213,270	996	212,416,920	21.01	6.19
Georgia	3,191,766	619,141	745	461,260,045	10.77	3.37
Illinois	7,721,099	94,793	1,360	128,918,480	12.88	4.07
Kentucky	2,578,179	471,284	735	346,393,740	12.11	4.46
Louisiana	2,456,057	246,010	785	193,117,850	16.69	4.40
Maryland	2,125,419	26,778	1,212	32,454,936	22.34	5.11
Mississippi	2,080,377	335,275	556	186,412,900	12.90	4.34
Missouri	3,556,693	316,525	1,063	336,466,075	12.83	4.01
New Mexico	535,220	32,580	812	26,454,960	21.56	6.66
North Carolina	3,504,626	606,370	732	443,862,840	14.70	4.61
Oklahoma	2,034,460	287,644	889	255,715,516	15.75	4.36
South Carolina	1,905,597	330,919	663	219,399,297	14.42	5.34
Tennessee	2,878,777	512,374	813	416,560,062	12.49	3.85
Texas	6,786,740	970,970	917	890,379,490	17.74	5.32
Virginia	3,079,706	310,590	903	280,462,770	14.13	5.35
Total	61,804,195	6,079,305	\$ 813	\$4,942,672,539	\$14.47	\$ 4.48

## BMC Has Summer Graduation

The summer convocation of Blue Mountain College was held August 13 at the front entrance of Whitfield, Dr. Robert L. Palmer, pastor of the Baptist church at Baldwin, making the address. Dr. Palmer said, "Women are equitable to men in many fields of service throughout the world today."

Eleven graduates received the B.A.

degree, bringing the total number of graduates for the year to sixty-four.

Today's graduates are: Julia Louise Calvin, Picayune; Joanne Stuart Guyton, Oxford, (and Blue Mountain); Jackue-line Harris, Tupelo; Mildred Irene Harwood, Clarksdale; Harriet Lowrey, Blue Mountain; Netta Miller, Maben; Mattie Louise Pennebaker, Cotton Plant; Evelyn Faye Pratt, Hollandale; Mrs. Maurine C. Rice, Blue Mountain; Edna LaBell Todd, Pontotoc; and Mrs. Dorothy Stovall Turner, Shannon.



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## We Drop The Reins

You will recall that in the issue of July 3 the editor referred to "A New Driver". The responsibility of eight issues of the Baptist Record has worn off the new feeling, and with the return of the editor this week, The New Driver drops the reins, so that the responsibilities we have had in recent weeks may be picked up by our "globe trotting" editor.

Words are inadequate to express to Mississippi Baptists and the readers of the Baptist Record our very sincere appreciation for your spirit of loyalty, understanding sympathy, and genuine co-operation.

Relying, first, upon the Lord for needed wisdom and trying faithfully to follow His leadership, and next, upon your help as you sent items of interest from your churches, and as you sent names to be added to our subscription list, so that we would not experience the "expected summer slump", I can say that these weeks have been an opportunity for service that I had never dreamed of, and in retrospect can hardly realize.

The very thought of the responsibilities involved, even now makes me humble that the Lord is able to use our talents, limited though they be, and by His power, send them forth through the pages of the Record, across countless miles and to countless persons. The labors of these three years, and more especially of these recent weeks, have been our witness for the Lord.

Many of you have prayed for us as we requested, and we have felt the Power invoked by you in our behalf. May God bless you all.

As we drop the reins and let the editor "take over", we ourselves will be seeking respite from heat, and rest with family and friends, as a belated vacation is in order.

—ELIZABETH DRAUGHON

## Miss Roma Jones

While absent from Baptist Headquarters attending the Baptist World Alliance I learned that Miss Roma Jones had passed away. I had known her but a few years, but all I knew was good. She was one of the most humble and consecrated Christians that I ever knew.

Her appointed task was a bookkeeper in the Convention Board Office, but she was ever ready to help any and everybody. She had a kind word for all and constantly sought to be of service. We have never known a person who better exemplified the Biblical Dorcas than Miss Roma Jones. To know her was to love her.

Baptist Headquarters will go on, but Miss Roma will be greatly missed. I am not rebellious toward God because of her passing, but it does seem hard to lose such a faithful worker and such a faithful Christian.—A. L. GOODRICH.

—BR—

## Dr. Lipsey

It was a source of sorrow to me while in Europe to learn that my predecessor as Editor of the Baptist Record, Dr. Plautus I. Lipsey, had passed away. When I left for Europe I knew that his condition was serious, but like a drowning man clutching at a straw, I hoped that he would be living when I returned. Such was not to be.

Others have said it and I repeat that Mississippi, as well as Mississippi Baptists, lost a great and a good man. Succeeding him as editor of the Baptist Record, perhaps I have realized his worth more than others not so closely connected. And in my office since the day I took over as editor is a motto and Dr. Lipsey's picture in a small glass frame. I see it daily. It reads, "My predecessor, My pattern".

Dr. Lipsey could get more truth out of a verse of Scripture than any man I ever knew. He had the ability to illustrate with simple things in such a way that what he wrote or said stayed with you. And he was as fresh and stimulating in the closing months of his life as he was the first time I ever heard him, 16 years ago.

Dr. Lipsey was a man of convictions. He knew what he believed and why and was willing to suffer if need be for his convictions. We didn't always agree on things, but each respected the other's opinions.

Dr. Lipsey was a scholar with all that the word means. He not only read his Bible daily, but he studied it. And that was one of the many reasons that his preaching and writing never grew stale. Day

by day he found new meaning in the old, old Book.

Dr. Lipsey was super-honest. I have seen him pay out money because of the dishonesty of others that he was neither legally nor morally obligated to pay. But he wanted no word of censure justly or unjustly spoken concerning him or his affairs.

Dr. Lipsey had a great mind. It never grew stale. He was a thinker. When he considered a subject he studied it thoroughly. I do not recall any subject treated by him in a shallow or superficial way.

Dr. Lipsey was a great writer. He could put more in a few lines than many people put in pages. His two books, on Revelation and on James, have been more helpful to me than all the other books on these subjects that I ever read. His articles and editorials in the Baptist Record over a period of almost 30 years are examples of writing that all of us would do well to study.

Dr. Lipsey was a great gentleman. He was courteous and kindly in every situation. He knew the correct things to do under all circumstances and did them.

Dr. Lipsey was a great Baptist. He knew the Bible taught and fought valiantly to uphold the cherished principles for which Baptists have ever stood. He was quick to detect any divisive or un-Biblical movement and did not hesitate to stand for the faith, "Once delivered unto the saints."

Somehow we cannot help but think that there was a great reunion in heaven when Dr. Lipsey got there.

A mighty man has fallen and Mississippi Baptists have lost and heaven has gained.—A. L. GOODRICH.

—BR—

## "Breaking Home Ties"

Within the next three or four weeks thousands of Baptist young people will be leaving home for college. For many this will be their first experience away from home. For all it will be a challenge to preserve their Christian loyalties, their high ideals of living and customary serving through their church.

The Southwide Department of Student Work is suggesting that the home churches fittingly recognize these students during some service of the church—preferably at the morning, evening, or weekly prayer hour. This might be known as "Off-to-College Day." It is intended as a special feature only of the services of the day. During these few moments the pastor might call for these students to come forward or stand. He could then deliver a brief charge expressing the hope of the

church for them and stating what the home church confidently expects of each. (Some churches may prefer to have the students give brief testimonies on, "What I propose in my heart to do while at college.")

Included in this brief message of the pastor will be an appeal for supreme loyalty to Christ and the church. Each will be urged to join the church at the college center on the very first Sunday after arrival. This Sunday is designated as Student Join-the-Church Day. Each student will be advised to carry his church letter or have his new pastor write for it. They will be counseled also to join a Sunday school class, a Baptist Young People's Union, a Y.W.A. or a Young Men's Brotherhood, and perhaps the choir. Many will offer themselves for service as a teacher or leader in some department of the younger ages. Each one should get to know the pastor, the Baptist Student Secretary, the Baptist Student Union officers, and the leaders in the local church. They will wish to make friends among this group. By choosing the right type of friends and extra-curricular activities, each student may get the most out of every phase of college life.

A prayer of "dedicated to preparation" for greater service might conclude this brief service. Some churches may wish to present a New Testament or some memento as a reminder of this occasion.

In connection with this "Off-to-College Day" in the home church, it would be an excellent plan for the churches to order several copies of THE BAPTIST STUDENT magazine for their pastor, and the young people's leaders of the church. There should also be several copies included in the regular church order for the high school seniors in the membership. The magazine is for nine months—not being published during the months of July, August and September. The price is thirty cents per quarter. Order with the regular church literature from the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee.

—BR—

## Dr. Ashford Joins College Faculty

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., August 21

—Dr. Moselle Ashford will become professor of psychology at Blue Mountain College in September.

Dr. Ashford holds her A. B. degree from Florida State College for Women and her M.A. from Clark University. After securing her master's degree she did further graduate study at Columbia University, at the University of Paris on a scholarship, at Yale as Ives Fellow, and at Duke University. She has her degree of doctor of philosophy from Vanderbilt.



# BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary - - Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi  
Associates: Joe Abrams, Louise Hill, Clarice Conner, Alene Johnson

Seventy three new unions reported for July, that many asked for free literature from the Sunday School Board of Nashville. We welcome these churches and unions into our Training Union fellowship. These 73 unions represent 16 churches. In 14 of the churches it was a five unit organization they set up—Story Hour, Junior, Intermediate, Young People and Adult. In one church it was only an Intermediate union, in the other a young people's and adult union. It is interesting to note how wide spread this interest is. Fifteen different associations: Neshoba, Smith, Prentiss, Perry, Pearl River, Alcorn, Newton, Wayne, Winston, Jones, Deer Creek, Zion, Hinds, Riverside. If you know your state you will see that they are from the Tennessee line to the Louisiana line, and from Arkansas to Alabama and then in between. Yes Training Union is on the bound.

## JACKSON CO., LEADERSHIP SCHOOL ONE OF THE BEST

Thanks to the First Church Pascagoula for being host to the Jackson Co., Leadership School. Thanks to Associational Director Wallace Harrell for giving himself fully to the matter of making a good ready through the intensive publicity program he planned and prosecuted. Thanks to all pastors and other leaders for their wholehearted cooperation. Thanks to the ones who came seeing a blessing and seeking to be a blessing and thanks most of all to the Lord for using all in this program to the advancement of his kingdom. Mr. Abrams, Mrs. Greenoe and Misses Conner and Hill represented our State Training Union Department and report it to be one of the best schools we have had. The enrollment for the week was 200. The average attendance was 155 not counting the children in the nursery which had about twelve each night. There were 13 churches and one mission that cooperated in the school, this was all churches except two.

We are happy to report that there is a large number of our Mississippi leaders who have accepted the invitation to help in the Birmingham Enlargement Campaign the week of Oct. 21. This is to be the largest Training Union program ever promoted in an association. There will be some from among the best workers of several states. We are glad to have a part in this great program. Our Mississippi leaders will make a splendid contribution here to the sister state of Alabama.

One good Christian said, "Pious Jews did, and still do, pay the tithes. This record is already established and nothing can get rid of it. I am ashamed to let them out-do me in the support of religion."

"There was no more need for a special command to practice tithing than for a special command to tell the truth, it was already understood and recognized."

WE STILL HAVE A GOOD SUPPLY OF BIBLE READERS LEAFLETS FOR THIS QUARTER. YOU STILL HAVE A MONTH YOU CAN USE THEM. DROP US A CARD. WE WILL SEND YOU ALL YOU WILL USE.

## BIBLE READINGS

(1) Juniors, (2) All Others

Sunday (1) Mark 13:1-10, (2) Acts 6:1-7.

Monday (1) Mark 13:11-20, (2) Acts 6:8-11; Eph. 6:10-12.

Tuesday (1) Mark 13:21-31, (2) Acts 6:12-15; Matt. 5:10-12.

Wednesday (1) Mark 13:32-37, (2) Acts 7:44-50.

Thursday (1) Mark 14:1-9, (2) Acts 7:51-60.

Friday (1) Mark 14:10-16, (2) Acts 8:1-3; 22:17-20.

Saturday, Sunday School Lessons.

The Training Union department wishes to express sincere thanks to all the churches in the state who cooperated with us in our summer program by using one of our summer workers. These workers have all expressed a joy in the privilege of being able to serve. Among the best expression was this one "I want to say this has been the happiest summer of my life because of the Training Union Department."

## WHO WENT TO RIDGECREST?

We have just received a recapitulation of the registration cards of the three Training Union weeks at Ridgecrest for this summer. For the three weeks there were 6,439 who registered. Mississippi had 268. There was no state as far as Mississippi that has as many as did Mississippi. We had representatives from 29 associations and from 54 churches. Pearl River led in number of churches, 8. Lebanon had 7, Hinds-Warren 6, Jones 4, Pike 3, and Riverside 2. All the others had only one church represented. Many expressions of appreciation of the fine program, and spiritual help received. All say "I want to go back next year."

—BR—

## How Calvary, Perry, Does It

Calvary Church, Perry county, where the people have nearly completed one of the finest buildings in Perry county and where we had one of the greatest Revivals in the history of the church we began our meeting with:

First, a religious census. Second, adopted the Every Member plan of putting the Baptist Record into the homes of the membership. Third, a week of prayer and Bible study, Personal Visitation. Fourth, we secured the services of Rev. Troy A. Sumrall in the third week of July and the results were that we had one of the greatest revivals we have ever had in the church.

The meeting was held in the new church building. The pastor baptized 10 at the close of the meeting, and has baptized two since the meeting.

—LUTHER K. TURNER, Pastor.

—BR—

Bethlehem Church, Simpson, Rev. Z. B. McAlpin, pastor, and Miss Leona Upton, clerk and treasurer, recently added a nice list of names to the EVERY FAMILY Plan of their church. Every name added will help the Baptist Record not only to maintain, but to increase its circulation.

The Training Union of West Laurel recently got out an "Extra" and the paper under the arm of the newsboy contained this message: "Wanted! You.—To attend Training Union tonight at 6:30. Can we count on you?" Rev. H. J. Rushing is pastor of West Laurel Church.



## BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

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Dr. R. G. Lee, pastor of the Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, is to bring the principal address at the opening session of the State BSU Convention in Meridian, Friday night, October 31.

## POTPOURRI

One, who says that World War II cost a total of 1,000 billion or a trillion dollars for all nations combined, estimates that for this sum every family in the world could have a new six-room house and a car, and every town of 5,000 a new hospital and a new

high school . . . Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, speaking at the Ridgecrest Student Retreat, said: "Ours is a lost world. . . Our lost world literally faces doom and destruction . . . But we have an adequate gospel . . . Tomorrow will not be ours unless we make today God's. . . Will your Christianity go beyond a swoon, a dream, a bubble? . . . We've got to have conduct commensurate with our confession. . . Stewardship involves giving and living and should involve the total of everything we have" . . . At the opening of our century men began transferring their faith from Providence to what they called progress—Paul Jordan-Smith . . . One who wants the whole truth on world and national affairs should write Chas. A. Wells, Box 269, Demarest, N.J., about his excellent publication, *Between the Lines* . . . The people of Europe need many more Bibles and they need to be independent of a State church in interpreting God's word and in their responsibility to God, according to Dr. Roland Leavell . . . Conceit is a form of I-strain that doctors can't cure—Horace McManon. . . Writing of the Youth Revival at Ripley First Church, William Ferrell says, "If every pastor in Mississippi could have witnessed the revival . . . next summer we could look for one in every church" . . .

## McKINSTER RESIGNS AT CLARKE

The many students and friends of Rev. Martin V. McKinster will regret very much to learn that he is leaving Clarke Memorial College and the state. He has accepted a position to teach English and public speaking in the Clear Creek Mountain Preachers Bible School in Pineville, Kentucky, thus he joins two other Mississippians who are also with this school—Dr. John F. Carter and Dr. T. D. Brown. Brother McKinster has served most efficiently as Dean of Clarke Memorial College. He has been a great asset to the college and has done much toward bringing the school to its present scholastic standing. It is with deep regret that he is being released by Clarke Memorial College to take the position in the Kentucky school.

Dean McKinster attended school at Alderson-Broadus College. He received his A. B. Degree from Mississippi College in 1942 and his Th. M. from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary in 1943 and has done other graduate work at the University of Alabama.

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The Open Door, bulletin of First Church, Philadelphia, was dedicated to Pastor Walter L. Johnson and his family on the Sunday of their return from vacation. The bulletin carried on its front page "The congregation affectionately dedicates 'The Open Door' to our pastor and his family, whose lives embody the ideals of our Saviour. We hope and pray that we may, as willingly dedicate our talents and abilities to Him in his services."

Pastor E. S. Frynt recently sent a list of ten names to be placed on the list from West Gulfport. A check accompanied the list which paid them for six months.

## Misses Collins and Beatty Winners In Drama And Music

Two Blue Mountain College Students Have Won Signal Honors Recently

Sara Brooks Collins, Holly Springs, has been notified that she has been selected for the Plymouth Drama Festival, professional drama school and summer theater, for the 1948 season.

The organization is located in Plymouth, Mass., and operated by the Priscilla Beach Theater in cooperation with the Boston Stock Company located on Cape Cod Bay.

The group in which Miss Collins will participate was selected from hundreds of applicants from every state in the union.

Joy Ann Beatty, Memphis, winner of the first major scholarship offered by the Memphis and MidSouth Piano Scholarship Association, will leave soon for New York to enter the Juilliard School of Music.

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Dr. J. B. Rounds of the Home Mission Board, whose address is 1412 N. Tenth Street, Oklahoma City, Okla., writes that they have been using in summer Indian mission work a young lady who is a graduate of a junior college, who wishes to work during the coming fall and winter in order that she may go back to school later and finish. Dr. Rounds says she is energetic and spiritual. Anyone interested in a church worker may write him at the above address. She uses a typewriter and has studied shorthand some.

Charles Ray, Wayne Coleman, Kenneth Mavity, Miss Bobby Haynie and Miss Jean Furr will compose the team which will help in the revival at the Georgetown Baptist church August 3-8. Intensive plans are being made by the Georgetown people to have a fine atmosphere for the meeting. Prayer meetings are being held in the homes.



## SOME TIMELY WARNINGS

By H. J. Rushing, Laurel, Miss.

The Old Testament Prophet was characteristic as a watchman on a wall. His task was that of looking out for approaching danger and then giving warning of what was on the way. In the New Testament a word often on the lips of the Master and the men of the Master was that of "watchfulness." In our day this is suggestive of the Christian leader's ask. I wish to lay on your hearts some things we need to watch lest we fail God and man in a critical time in the world's history.

I. We need to watch lest confidence in our bigness take the place of faith in a great God. The "bigger" a people become the smaller the God they think they need. Baptists are a "big" people. Big in numbers. Big in institutions. Big in wealth. But unless we are big in faith in a great God we may die of dry rot while maintaining a form of godliness. Man's might can accomplish what man's might can do; but what needs to be done in today's world can only be done by God's might.

II. Lest our broadmindedness led us into a betrayal of Christ and a forsaking of that faith once for all delivered. Interdenominationalism is a poor excuse for contending for the faith. There is no value in co-operation when compromise is the price that must be paid for the co-operation. The person who reads unionization into the meaning of co-operation may have a sense of humor but certainly has a poor sense of honor, even if the movement is sponsored by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

III. Lest our greed for numbers shall fill our churches with unregenerate individuals who neither have nor understand Christian experience. The counting of noses must never become more important than a real bringing in of the sheaves. The preaching of a "bloodless gospel" and the proclaiming of a Christ empty of God can produce nothing but spurious Christians. Numbers lose their value if they must be gained by a failure to keep the ordinances of the Church as they were given. I would certainly take no pride in a big denomination if the members had to be caught on hooks baited with alien immersion and open communion.

IV. Lest emphasis on the secondary shall cause us to lose sight of that which is primary. The "second blessing" will not be of much value if the thousands of blessings are missed. It will mean little to talk in "unknown tongues" if the tongues we know are not used in a personal persuasive testimony for Christ. The Lord is coming but the setting of dates for that great event is not nearly so needed today as the setting of hearts for His coming.

V. Finally, lest the means to an end become an end within themselves. Our institutions, if an end in themselves, defeat the very purpose for which they were born. Our organizations, if an end in themselves, are but dead weights hindering the cause of Christ. Our Churches, institutions, organizations and we ourselves must remember that we are not to live, but like the Master we are to die in order that others may have life. "For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give His life a ransom for many." (Mark 10:45.) (Editor's note: The Southeast Pastors' Conference requested this address, which was given at their meeting, be printed.)

## ANDERSON TO LONG BEACH



Rev. E. R. Anderson, who recently resigned at Fayette in order to accept the pastorate at Long Beach, will begin his work on his new field on September 1.

During Mr. Anderson's pastorate at Fayette there have been 90 additions and last year a \$12,000 brick Sunday School annex was built.

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## World Baptist Headquarters To Be In Washington

COPENHAGEN —(RNS)—The Baptist World Alliance will have its headquarters office in Washington, D.C., with a branch office in London, it was decided here by the executive committee.

Dr. W. O. Lewis, general secretary of the Alliance, said he hoped the Baptist Congress here would "strengthen our cause in the northern countries of Europe, where many people now regard the Baptists as a small and insignificant sect."

"We hope," he added, "they will realize that we are a large and worldwide body of Christians striving to advance the Master's Kingdom."

Invitations for the next Baptist world congress have been received here from China, Rome, Winnipeg, Canada, and New York City.

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## Unveil Design For "World's Largest Church"

RED BAY, Ala. —(RNS)—Unveiling of the design for "the world's largest church" highlighted the Jubilee Assembly of the Church of God here.

The unveiling ceremony was presided over by Bishop Homer A. Tomlinson, of New York, general overseer of the Church of God, as 10,000 persons watched. The church is expected to be completed in the next two years. Covering an acre of ground, it will have a seating capacity of 15,000, and will be known as the All Churches Assembly Building.

—BR—

Dr. Norman Vincent Peale, New York City pastor, has advocated a day of silence when there would be no programs on radio and no newspapers. "For all our talk one wonders if we are getting somewhere," Dr. Peale said. "Men rush into print crying, 'Our need is for God,' etc., but we do not stop talking long enough to give God a chance to get a word in edgewise. Unless we shut up we are likely to crack up."—The Herald, Bulletin Forty-First Avenue Church, Meridian.

Emory University, Methodist-owned school in Atlanta, Ga., received \$5,000,000 from C. Howard Candler, Coca-Cola heir.

## Cecil Lea To Hattiesburg As Educational Director At First Baptist Church



Cecil F. Lea has resigned his position as Educational Director at First Church, Columbus, in order to accept a similar position with First Church, Hattiesburg.

During the nearly two years that Mr. Lea served the Columbus Church, he did an outstanding work and much progress was made.

—BR—

## "The Voice Is Jacob's Voice"

By Joe W. Burton

A new example of the liquor interests bid for respectability is seen in a distillery-sponsored children's aid group in a Southern state.

A state-wide campaign to raise approximately half a million dollars for child welfare is being mapped out by this recently chartered philanthropic organization, a news account states.

Director of the organization is a distillery's public relations office. Father of the idea and president of the group, the report states, is the distillery vice-president.

"We propose to get money for child education, recreation, and social welfare," the director is reported to have said following a 2700 mile tour of 30 counties studying child conditions.

"The organization will aid children from birth until they take their rightful places in adult society," he explained. "Money will be allowed groups, agencies, or schools which convince us that they are worthy and need funds."

The public will require some proof also. It will have to be convinced that these liquor men are motivated by a sincere interest in child welfare. The only convincing proof to thinking people would be for them to give up a business whose product is the greatest enemy known either to child welfare or to the home.

When one's business is to manufacture and sell that which destroys life he will find it difficult to convince any intelligent person that his philanthropies are prompted by any sincere desire to save lives.

—BR—

A six months' report from First Church, Shreveport, Louisiana, Dr. M. E. Dodd, pastor, shows a church membership of 4,505, 234 new members or a net gain of 24, visitors numbering 3,131. There have been 1,700 contributors and 651 titheers, and gifts to all causes totalling \$95,461.

Bro. B. H. Benton is assisting Dr. A. A. Kitchings in a revival at Flagstaff, Arizona. His brother, Clyde Benton, went with him.

## Twenty-Five Years Ago

By Rev. R. A. Eddleman

Dr. T. W. Talkington says that the Solomon-Armstrong meeting in his church at Bogalusa was a pronounced success. There were 97 additions to the church and on the last Sunday of the meeting 47 of the 97 came into the church and 55 volunteers for the Mission Fields came in a special service.

Rev. G. H. Suttle of Centerville writes that they have just closed a great meeting at Centerville, with 32 additions to the church and 115 presented themselves for service in the Lord's work. Dr. Frazier did the preaching.

Pastor L. I. Thompson of Van Cleave states that they have had a fine meeting in the Van Cleave Church with 9 added to the church, one of these came by letter. Brother Madison Flowers did the preaching.

Rev. H. H. Webb reports a fine nine day meeting with Pastor J. J. Mayfield and the Charleston Church. This was Brother Webb's second meeting with this church. The meeting closed a week too soon, due to Brother Mayfield's illness, who had to be taken to the Baptist Hospital in Memphis for treatment. Brother Webb was also pastor at one time of the Charleston Church.

Pastor J. C. Richardson of Forest has a Daily Vacation Bible school in his church running for two weeks. There are 80 pupils.

Dr. J. W. Provine and family are spending a short time of rest at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly in North Carolina. This will enable him to participate in the conference of Educators.

Dr. Quisenberry came back from Utica last week with \$675.00 for the Clinton church. The people seem glad to help build this church which will be a great denominational asset.

The Second Baptist Church, (Calvary) Jackson, has elected an Educational Director, in the person of Mr. H. Allen McMurray, of Waco, Texas. He is on the ground and has entered upon his duties. His major work in the church will be with the BYPU's.

## The Liquor Seller's "Psalm of Life"

Tell me not in wild orations  
That the business I am in,  
Is, of all men's occupations,  
Most depraved and full of sin.

Life is real, and gold and silver  
Are the things that count with men;  
Money's king; we must get money;  
What's the difference how or when?

"Illegal traffic?" Bosh and nonsense;  
Read that license; read it well;  
This whole government behind it  
Give me perfect right to sell.

What if women broken-hearted  
Pray that God may let them die?  
What if mothers weep, and children—  
Drunkards' children—moan and cry?

What if beer and rum and whisky  
Crowd men into prison cells,  
Robbing them of all their manhood,  
Sending them to drunkards' hells?

Lives of rich men all remind me,  
I can get there just the same  
With a bank account behind me—  
What care I for fame or name?

As to all your moral questions  
I have only this to say—  
There's my license, bought and paid for,  
Stamped with Uncle Sam's O. K.

—Phebie Dodd, in Bible Exposition.  
—BR—

Rev. R. R. Darby, Seminary, has accepted the call to Pachuta Church. He and his family will live in the newly decorated pastor's home.



# CHURCHES GAIN

568 Churches Showing Gain First Six Months, 1947, Over First Six Months, 1946.

## ADAMS-FRANKLIN ASSOCIATION

Concord, Eddiceton, Hamburg, Hopewell, Lucien, Meadville, Natchez-West Side, New Salem.

## ALCORN ASSOCIATION

Antioch No. 2, Corinth-First, Corinth-West, Hinkle Creek, Holly or Crane Creek, Tishomingo Chapel, Wheeler Grove.

## ATTALA ASSOCIATION

Antioch, Bear Creek, Beulah, Ebenezer, Kosciusko-First, Kosciusko-Second, McAdams, McCool, Sallis, Unity.

## BENTON ASSOCIATION

Ashland, Bluff Springs, Country, Hamilton, Hickory Flat, New Hope.

## BOLIVAR ASSOCIATION

Centerfield, Rosedale, Shelby, Skene, Sunny Side.

## CALHOUN ASSOCIATION

Antioch (Cal.), Banner, Big Creek, Bruce, College Hill, Derma, Duncan Hill, Ellard, Macedonia, Midway, Oldtown, Pleasant Grove, Popular Springs, Sabougla, Vardaman.

## CARROLL ASSOCIATION

Carrollton, Liberty, Vaiden.

## CHICKASAW ASSOCIATION

Arbor Grove, Houston, Okolona, Providence, Woodland.

## CHOCTAW ASSOCIATION

Ackerman, Cross Roads, Fellowship, Hopewell, Mt. Moriah, New Haven, New Zion.

## CLARKE ASSOCIATION

Enterprise, Harmony, Oak Grove, Pleasant Grove, Quitman, Shubuta, Union, Phalti.

## CLAY ASSOCIATION

Cedar Bluff, Hebron, Pine Bluff, Siloam, West Point-First.

## COLUMBUS ASSOCIATION

Clumbus-Calvary, Columbus-First, New Salem, Pleasant Hill.

## COPIAH ASSOCIATION

Antioch, Bethel, County Line, Crystal Springs, Damascus, Gallie, Gatesville, Hazelhurst, Hopewell, Shady Grove, Smyrna, Slyvarena, Wesson.

## COVINGTON ASSOCIATION

Mt. Olive, Seminary.

## DEER CREEK ASSOCIATION

Anguilla, Belzoni, Cary, Catchings, Greenville-Calvary, Greenville-First, Hollandale, Swiftwater, Valley Park.

## DESOTO ASSOCIATION

Eudora, Grays Creek, Hernando, New Prospect, Olive Branch.

## GEORGE ASSOCIATION

Lucedale, Rocky Creek, Shady Grove.

## GREEN ASSOCIATION

County Line, Johnson Creek, Leaf, Leakesville, Piave, Pine Level, Pleasant Hill, Sand Hill, Unity.

## GRENADA ASSOCIATION

Grenada-First, Hardy.

## GULF COAST

Big Ridge, Bowen Memorial, Gulfport-Eastside, Gulfport-First, Gulfport-Grace Memorial, Handsboro, Logtown, Long Beach, Pass Christian.

## HINDS-WARREN ASSOCIATION

Antioch-Wayside, Bethesda, Byram, Clinton, Daniel, Edwards, Jackson-First, Jackson-Northside, Jackson-Parkway, Midway, New Haven, Raymond, Siwell, Terry, Utica, Van Winkle, Vicksburg-Bowmar Avenue, Vicksburg-Immanuel, Vicksburg-King's Mission, Woodlawn.

## HOLMES ASSOCIATION

Beulah, Durant, Ebenezer, Goodman, Lexington, Pickens, Pleasant Ridge, Tchula, West.

## ITAWAMBA ASSOCIATION

Fulton-Trinity, Pleasant Ridge, Salem.

## JACKSON ASSOCIATION

Ft. Bayou, Kreole, Pascagoula-Calvary, Pascagoula-First, Van Cleave, Unity.

## JASPER ASSOCIATION

Corinth, Edon, Fellowship, Heidelberg, Montrose, New Concord, New Fellowship, Pine Grove, Union Seminary.

## JEFF DAVIS

Antioch, Oak Grove, Phalti, Prentiss, Society Hill, White Sand.

## JONES

Ellisville, Laurel-Beacon, Laurel-First, Laurel-Second Avenue, Laurel-South, Laurel-West, Lowrey Creek, Mt. Oral, Oakland Grove, Ovet, Pecan Grove, Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Ridge, Sandersville, Soso, Tuckers Crossing.

## KEMPER ASSOCIATION

Center Ridge, Dekalb, Friendship, Scooba.

## LAFAYETTE ASSOCIATION

Anchor, Clear Creek, New Elbethel, New Prospect, Oxford-First.

## LAUDERDALE ASSOCIATION

Arkadelphia, Bethany, Carmel, Causeyville, Collinsville, Goodwater, Hebron, Hickory Grove, Kewanee, Long Creek, Macedonia, Meridian-First, Meridian-Fifteenth Avenue, Meridian-Forty-First Avenue, Meridian-Oakland Heights, Meridian-Poplar Springs Drive, Meridian-Southside, Midway, Providence, Russell.

## LAWRENCE ASSOCIATION

Bismark, Calvary, Crooked Creek, New Hebron, Shiloh.

## LEAKE ASSOCIATION

Cedar Grove, Lena, McDonald, New Hope, New Providence, Pleasant Hill, Standing Pine, Tuscola.

## LEBANON ASSOCIATION

Big Level, Calvary, Central, Dixie, Greens Creek, Hattiesburg-Fifth Avenue, Hattiesburg-Immanuel, Hattiesburg-Twenty-Eighth Avenue, Hickory Grove, Lumberton, Military, Perkinson, Petal Harvey, Providence, Purvis, Hattiesburg-Thirty-Eighth Avenue.

## LEE ASSOCIATION

Camp Creek, Center Hill, Nettleton, Plantersville, Sherman, Tupelo Calvary, Tupelo-Harrisburg, Union Hill or Limestone.

## LEFLORE ASSOCIATION

Greenwood-Calvary, Greenwood-First, Itta Bena, Lowland, Morgan City, Mt. Vernon, Phillipston, Riverside, Schlater, Sidon.

## LIBERTY ASSOCIATION

Center Ridge, Pine Grove, Pleasant Grove.

## LINCOLN ASSOCIATION

Arlington, Bogue Chitto, Brookhaven-First, Fair River, Friendship, Heucks Retreat, Holly Springs, Little Bahala, Macedonia, Mission Hill, Moaks Creek, Mt. Pleasant, Mt. Zion, Pearlhaven, Philadelphia, Pleasant Hill, Pleasant Grove, Topisaw, Union Hall, Wellman.

## MADISON ASSOCIATION

Canton-Center Terrace, Lone Pine, Ridgeland.

## MARION ASSOCIATION

Bunker Hill, Cedar Grove, Columbia-First, Edna, Spring Cottage.

## MARSHALL ASSOCIATION

Byhalia, Bethany, Carey Chapel, Holly Springs, Pleasant Grove, Potts Camp.

## MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION

Bethel, East Fork, Galilee-Gloster, Gillsburg, Gading, Mt. Olive, Mt. Vernon, New Zion.

## MONROE ASSOCIATION

Aberdeen-First, Amory, Gregory Chapel, Prairie, Splungs.

## MONTGOMERY ASSOCIATION

Bethlehem, Duck Hill, Kilmichael, Mulberry, Winona-First.

## MT. PISGAH ASSOCIATION

## NESHQBA ASSOCIATION

Beacon Street, Bluff Springs, Immanuel, Good Hope, Neshoba.

## NEWTON ASSOCIATION

Bethel, Calvary, Duffee, Good Hope, Hickory, Mt. Pleasant, Mt. Vernon, Clarke-Venable Memorial, New Ireland, Pinckney, Pleasant Hill-Conehatta, Rock Branch, Union.

## NEW CHOCTAW ASSOCIATION

Bethany.

## NOXUBEE ASSOCIATION

Concord, Elim-Mashulaville, Macon-First, Ruhama, Vernon.

## OKTIBBEHA COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Adaton, Bethesda, Double Springs, Longview, Morgans Chapel, New Hope, Pleasant Ridge, Self Creek, Starkville-First, Sturgis, Wake Forest.

## PANOLA ASSOCIATION

Batesville, Courtland, Crenshaw, Easley Memorial, Enon, Good Hope, Liberty Hill, Longtown, Sardis, Union.

## PEARL RIVER ASSOCIATION

Bethel-Buck Creek, Carriere, Corinth, Gainesville, Goodyear, Harmony, Juniper Grove, Oak Hill, Picayune-First, Poplarville-West, Union-Caesar, Zion Hill.

## PERRY ASSOCIATION

Calvary, Good Hope, Janice, Richton, Seminary, Union.

## PIKE ASSOCIATION

Calvary, Fernwood, Friendship, Johnston Station, Magnolia-First, McComb-Central, McComb-East, McComb-First, McComb-South, Osyka, Summit, Terry's Creek, Union.

## PONTOTOC ASSOCIATION

Algoma, Buchanan, Cherry Creek, Duncan Creek-Thaxton, Endville, Hurricane-New Prospect, Immanuel, Longview, New Hope, Piney Grove, Pontotoc, Toxish, Troy, West Heights, Zion.

## PRENTISS ASSOCIATION

Booneville, Candler's Chapel, East Prentiss, Gaston, Osborne Creek, Thrasher, Wheeler.

## RANKIN ASSOCIATION

Barefoot Springs, Briar Hill, Concord, Dry Creek, East Side, Johns, Oakdale, Mt. Pisgah, Puckett, Rock Bluff, Steens Creek.

## RIVERSIDE ASSOCIATION

Clarksdale, Lambert, Marks-West, Tunica.

## SCOTT ASSOCIATION

Branch Mission, Clifton, Cooperville, Good Hope, Hebron, Homewood, Hopewell, Morton, Ridge, Salem, Sand Ridge, Springfield, Steel, Union.

## SIMPSON ASSOCIATION

Bethlehem, Gum Springs, Harrisville, Magee, Mendenhall, Mt. Zion, New Hope, New Zion, Pinola, Pleasant Hill, Pleasant Valley, Stonewall.

## SMITH ASSOCIATION

Bethel, Goodwater, Good Hope, Liberty, Sardis, Taylorsville, Union, Wilkinson Memorial.

## SUNFLOWER ASSOCIATION

Bethany, Fairview, Roundaway, Ruleville, Sunflower, Wade.

## TALLAHATCHIE ASSOCIATION

Bethany, Mt. Pisgah, Paynes, Spring Hill, Sumner.

## TATE ASSOCIATION

Evansville, Mt. Zion, New Hope, Sarah, Senatobia.

## TIPPAH ASSOCIATION

Chalybeate, Concord, Fellowship, Harmony, Lowrey Memorial, Providence, Ripley, Whittentown.

## TISHOMINGO ASSOCIATION

Belmont, Bethlehem, Burnsville, Cross Roads, Highland, Iuka, Mt. Vernon, New Liberty, New Salem, Oldham, Shady Grove.

## UNION ASSOCIATION

Elmo, Hermanville, Red Lick.

## UNION COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Blue Springs, Center, Ingomar, Martin, New Albany, Pleasant Hill.

## WALTHAM ASSOCIATION

Crystal Springs, Tylertown.

## WAYNE ASSOCIATION

Bucatunna, East Shady Grove, Evergreen, State Line.

## WINSTON ASSOCIATION

Calvary, Crystal Ridge, Enon, Good Hope, Harmony, Hopewell, Liberty, Louisville-First, Murphy Creek, Shiloh.

## YALOBUSHA ASSOCIATION

Bethel, Coffeeville, New Hope, O'Tuckalofa, Scobey.

## YAZOO ASSOCIATION

Azing, Bentonla, Concord, Eden, Hebron, Oil City, Rocky Springs, Satartia, Tinsley, Yazoo City-First, Yazoo City-Second.

## ZION ASSOCIATION

Bethel, Eupora, Mantec, Montevista, New Hope, Spring Hill.



## — Woman's Missionary Union —

President—Mrs. Whma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson



### STATE MISSION SEASON OF PRAYER, SEPT. 8-12

Miss Margaret M. Lackey

"Prayer was led by Miss Lackey"—the minutes recorded! Yes, the first mention of Miss Lackey in connection with Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union was as she led us in prayer! She has been ever concerned for this state of ours. As we read her annual reports we hear her saying, "Sisters, we have done passing well this year. But oh, the untouched multitude of Baptist women and children in Mississippi today whose souls are crying silently yet know not for what they cry. May the Lord open our eyes that we may see, and our ears that we may hear, and our hands that we may not withhold." She it was who initiated the Season of Prayer for STATE Missions. We quote from her report in 1917: "Our financial report shows that our State work has at last found a more vital part in our hearts. We believe this is largely due to the Week of Prayer for State Missions observed for the first time this year. Many societies observed the entire week, others one full day, but carrying out the full program. State Missions are growing in interest with us because we are learning the needs of our State as we have never before known them."

Miss Lackey constantly challenged Mississippi women, we find her saying, "Beloved, figures—however high-sounding they may be—are mere skeletons from the Valley of Dry Bones unless there is breathed into them a spirituality that makes them living, breathing realities"—and again "In no work, perhaps, do trifles dignify themselves and become so important a factor as do the seeming trifles of this Union of ours."

Miss Lackey stood before the 1931 Woman's Missionary Union in Convention reading her last report—a woman of great faith and great vision, having nobly led for twenty years, and as she stood she pointed the way to greater and nobler accomplishments. We quote the closing paragraphs of her last official report—"Like a hand pointing into the PAST. Nearly twenty years, and yet, Hitherto hath the Lord helped us! Through poverty, through wealth, through sickness, through health; at home, or abroad, on the land, on the sea; in perplexity, in joy, in trial, in triumph, in prayer, in temptation,—hitherto hath the Lord helped. But the word also points forward. For when one gets up to a certain mark and writes "hitherto"—the end is not yet. There are still distances to be traversed. More trials, more joys; more temptations, more triumphs; more

prayers, more answers; more toils, more strength; more fights, more victories. The dawning of a glad new day, with new delights, new life and new surprises; with a consecrated New Secretary, whose life bids you to be of good courage, and help her raise in grateful confidence your Ebenezer, for: "He who hath helped thee hitherto, will help thee all thy journey through."

The Alpine shepherds have a beautiful custom of ending the day by singing to one another an evening farewell. The air is so crystalline that the song will carry long distances. As the dusk begins to fall they gather their flocks and lead them down the mountain paths, singing, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us. Let us praise His name!" And at last with a sweet courtesy they sing to one another a friendly farewell "Goodnight, Goodnight". The words are taken up by the echoes and from side to side the song goes reverberating sweetly and softly until the music dies away in the distance. So, Beloved, let us call out to one another through the unknown future, till the hour becomes vocal with many voices, encouraging the pilgrim host. Let the echoes gather till a very storm of Hallelujah break in thundering waves around a sapphire throne. And then as the morning breaks we shall find ourselves at the margin of the sea of glass, crying with the redeemed hosts, "Blessing and honor and glory be unto Him that sitteth on the throne, and to the lamb forever and ever."

The offering given during this season of Prayer we lovingly call the MARGARET LACKEY OFFERING for State Missions, for she it was that initiated the Season of Prayer for State Missions.

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### SOUTHERN PRESBYTERIAN MEN'S GROUP MEETS

MONTREAT, N. C. (RNS) — "The World for Christ, or No World at All," was the slogan offered by Gen. Joe B. Fraser, Hinesville, Ga., during the three-day Men-at-Montreat Conference attended here by more than 500 laymen of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. (Southern).

An officer in the recent war, General Fraser, who was elected secretary-treasurer of the Men's Council, said, "I doubt if civilization could survive another world war."

Leaders of the conference expressed the conviction that "probably never before in the history of the world are strong men needed as they are today . . . men who are willing to stand for what they know to be right."

### SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

August 24, 1947

Church	S.S.	T.U.
New Albany	466	226
New Albany, including North Side Mission	480	
Crystal Springs	596	111
Jackson, Calvary	1,077	247
Jackson, Calvary, including Mission	1,105	298
Jackson, Davis Memorial	215	86
Jackson, North Side	228	62
Jackson, Southside	112	94
Jackson, Van Winkle	230	154
Harrisburg	280	105
Providence, Tippah County	46	
Hebron, Yazoo County	73	63
Strong Hope, Copiah County	71	42
Siloam, Simpson County	75	55
Soso	123	94
Ellison Ridge, Winston County	130	163
Pascagoula, First	563	177
Rocky Creek, George County	168	143
Chalybeate	51	37
East McComb	385	183
Batesville, First	193	56
Brookhaven	707	118
Lucedale	261	84
Hebron, Yazoo Co.	74	76
Glenfield, Union Co.	77	82
Crexco	86	66
Centerville	108	29
Friendship, Pike Co.	192	127
Wellmon, Lincoln Co.	79	62
Pascagoula, First	610	194
Linwood, Beshoba Co.	150	
Houlka	86	58
Darling	55	30
Rocky Springs	32	
Hattiesburg, 5th Ave	395	142
Laurel, 1st	517	102
Boonville	165	86
Payne, Tallahatchie Co.	155	62

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### Social Sins Blasted At Baptist Congress

COPENHAGEN —(RNS)— Social sins committed by races and nations were cited as the cause of the partial destruction of the world's life in recent years by Dr. D. R. Sharpe, executive secretary of the Cleveland Baptist Mission Society, in a speech before the Baptist World Congress here.

Dr. Sharpe declared that all riches "gained unsocially or used anti-socially" constitute a real menace to Christian civilization. Money, politics, ecclesiastism, nationalism and militarism have succeeded in "putting Christ on a cross to die," he asserted.

"We must be for social redemption when we realize what social sins do to individuals," Dr. Sharpe told the Congress. "Economic injustice not only makes the rich man richer and the poor man poorer, but it injures both because injustice harms everyone."

Dr. Sharpe declared that a Christian social order "must guarantee the worker a decent life by giving him a fair share of the profits of industry. It must treat him as a person, not as a chattel or a cog in a wheel of a great whirling industrial machine."

The Cleveland churchman said he was forced to ask the Congress why "we as Christians allow race hatred? Why do we white gentiles persist in our snobbish, evil behavior towards other peoples when we know that it is un-Christian and therefore destructive of all that is highest and best in life?"

He warned that unless an all-inclusive program of social redemption is immediately inaugurated to build the Kingdom of God in human society, Communism or another ism will build its own kingdom in the world.

### GOING PLACES

A. L. GOODRICH

Our Text: 1 Timothy 4:13c and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading;—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that they profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

### NEW ALBANY

While the pastor was on vacation we had the privilege of stopping by and supplying on Sunday, August 17. We arrived in time to attend the Saturday night youth meeting and hear Rev. Gordon Sansing, pastor at Booneville, bring a heart-warming message on "How I May Know". We spoke on Sunday morning about our recent trip to Europe and the Baptist World Alliance.

Pastor Davis is doing a good work and his assistant is Rev. Gordon Sather, who is keeping things in high gear during the absence of the pastor.

Plans are being made for an additional building which they say is badly needed. The building fund now amounts to \$22,026.

Union County readers are now listed as follows: AMAZIAH 25, Blue Springs 9, CENTER 52, ELLISTOWN 57, ENTERPRISE 44, Freedomia 3, GLENFIELD 32, HARMONY 25, INGOMAR 87, Jericho, 1, Martin 6, MYRTLE 52, NEW ALBANY FIRST, 395, NEW ALBANY, NEELY MEMORIAL 29, NEW HARMONY 62, Oak Grove 1, PLEASANT HILL 15, Unity 1, WALLERVILLE 47.

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### Wood Scores Again

Having had the Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY Plan at practically every church of which he has been pastor, Rev. W. H. Wood, who recently went to Carson as pastor, lost no time. He has already led the Carson Church to adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan and a list of 50 names has been received.

Baptist Record readers in Jefferson Davis County are now listed as follows: CARSON 50, ANTIOCH 37, BASSFIELD 55, BETHANY 34, EBENEZER 35, HATHORN 43, HEPZIBAH 47, OAK GROVE 24, Old Hebron 1, PHALTI 52, PRENTISS, FIRST 183, SOCIETY HILL 52, VICTORY 21, WHITESAND 57.

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MRS. W. R. FOWLER

WHEREAS Mrs. W. R. Fowler passed away from this earth on July 18,

WHEREAS she had for many years been a faithful member of the First Baptist Church of Yazoo City, the preaching and teaching services of which church it was her custom to attend regularly,

WHEREAS she strove courageously to rear her large family of sons and daughters in Christian discipline,

WHEREAS she bore with noble religious fortitude the loss of three of her sons,

Whereas her strength and faith were a constant example and source of inspiration to all who knew her,

BE IT RESOLVED that we, the members of the Dorcas Bible Class of the First Baptist Church of Yazoo City, Mississippi, express to her husband and children our sympathy in their loss,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family, and a copy each to the Yazoo County paper and the Baptist Record.

Respectfully submitted

MARY R. SIGREST

ZILPAH J. INGRAM



## Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary  
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary  
MRS. P. C. FRENCH, Office Secretary

### MORE VBS REPORTS

The following Vacation Bible schools have been reported since last week: Macedonia in Winston, Ecu, Dixie, Woolmarket, Leaf River, Strong Hope, Egypt, College Hill, Meltonia, Cedar Grove in Greene, McDonald, Deweese Mill, Sardis in Neshoba, Hollandale Negro, Anguilla Mission, Hollandale Mission, Wildwood,

Silver City, Tangipahoa, Magnolia, Pleasant Ridge in Itawamba, Ryan Community Mission in Itawamba, Piney Grove Negro in Itawamba, Lena, Harmony Negro in Leake, Oakland Grove, Double Springs, Pachuta, Southside Jackson, Oak Hill in Pearl River, Poplar Springs in Calhoun, Old Town, Duncan Hill, Pine Grove in Lauderdale,

Edgeworth in Zion, Bethany in Jeff Davis, Neshoba, Ackerman, Sand Hill in Jones, Bethany in Calhoun, Roundaway, Freeny, Border Springs, Kolola Springs, Verona, Wiggins, Sandy Hook, Antioch in Marion, New Hope in Marion, Hurricane Creek, Maben, Oak Grove in Jeff Davis, Enterprise, Shiloh in Winston, Eudora,

New Prospect in DeSoto, Mt. Zion in Simpson, Indian Springs, New Henleyfield, Pine Grove in Pearl River, Bogue Chitto Indian, Canaan Indian, Hope Indian, Rawls Springs, Anchor, Collins, Fellowship in Tippah, Wellman, New Hope in Yalobusha, DeSoto, Union in Panola, Carson, Hope, Souenlovie, Mayersville,

Union Chapel in Chickasaw, Hurricane in Pontotoc, Arlington in Perry, Petal First, Lakeview, Hickory Grove in Lebanon, Zion Hill in Lebanon, Corinth in Lebanon, Macedonia in Lebanon, Oral, Cross Roads in Choctaw.

### All Reported Except Two

Every association in Mississippi has reported one or more Vacation Bible schools this summer except two: Carroll and Tishomingo, and Carroll will report one within a few days.

Therefore, if we can get a report from Tishomingo that will make it 100% which is as it should be all the time.

And, by the way, only Oktibbeha county and Kemper associations have not reported Sunday school training awards this year, and Kemper will

after the second week of September. So, if Oktibbeha county comes through, that will make it 100% in that respect also.

### NURSERY DEPARTMENTS

Gradually our people are seeing the need of providing more space for the small children on Sunday mornings. Many of our churches have rearranged their present space to provide Nurseries for the small children; some have bought houses and remodeled them, and, two, Crystal Springs and Fifth Avenue Hattiesburg, have built new buildings. The Crystal Springs Baby Building cares for only children under four years of age. Mrs. J. T. Biggs, Jr., supervisor of this Baby Building at Crystal Springs, writes: "Since the opening of our Baby building on June 1, our enrollment has increased from 50 to 75 and the average attendance from 43 to 67. The Lord has blessed us wonderfully." Nursery Department 4, Mrs. Myron Thompson, superintendent, has just reached the standard. The other three Nurseries lack only a part of one point. Congratulations to Pastor M. D. Morton, Sunday School Superintendent, J. C. Holland, Baby Building supervisor, Mrs. J. T. Biggs, Jr., and Nursery Superintendent, Miss Frances Ferguson, and Mesdames Ed Jackson, Lola Bradshaw and Myron Thompson! Congratulations on the splendid work they are doing in caring for the babies on Sunday morning!

### EMPHASIS FOR SEPTEMBER

1. Help the churches plan for a special "Training and Preparation Week" in October, looking toward the new Sunday school year.
2. Get reports from all Vacation Bible Schools.
3. Lead the churches to make the most of Promotion Day.
4. Promote Preview Studies of fourth quarter Sunday school lessons.
5. Plan to take all associational officers to state planning meeting for associational officers.
6. Launch Extension department campaign.
7. Promote tithing campaign to enlist one million Southern Baptist tithers.
8. Promote Intermediate Emphasis Week, September 7-14.

### New Albany Youth Revival Results In Four Additions

The Youth Revival of the First Baptist Church of New Albany proved to be a blessing to the young people of the church as well as the adults.

Rev. Glenn Crawford did a fine job of preaching sound Gospel messages, with Glenn Merrill setting a spiritual foundation with splendid congregational singing and special numbers.

Miss Willie Mae Guter, a graduate of M.S.C.W. together with Miss Martha Bailey also a student of M.S.C.W. handled the Conferences and Recreation in a fine way. Our church will long feel the effects of the work done by this outstanding group of workers.

During the week the entire church membership was visited in the interest of the Youth Revival as well as several groups of Young People doing personal work which resulted in four professions of faith.

### Volley Patterson Licensed By Terry Baptist Church

Volley Crisler Patterson was licensed to preach the Gospel Sunday night, August 3rd, by Terry Baptist Church. Volley found Christ in this church, and grew up in Terry. Volley preached his own sermon, and gave an invitation for those who would accept Jesus to come. Five grown young men and women were saved, and one mother added by letter. This was a glorious and a victorious service. One of the ones saved was a brother to the young preacher. The church presented Volley with license, a lovely Bible, then Mrs. W. T. Head, Sr., who had been a devoted friend to Volley, led the closing prayer. As the people left the church they gave our preacher boy a \$66.00 love offering.

The Terry church has had 30 additions in the last month.

## Clarke Undergoing Renovation



### State Court Declines To End Aid To Church Colleges

ALBANY, N.Y. —(RNS)— A New York State Supreme Court justice ruled here there is no legal basis for action by a taxpayer over the constitutionality of a money grant by the state for emergency classroom facilities in a sectarian college.

In making his ruling, however, Justice Isadore Bookstein refused to grant a motion by state attorneys that the action brought by Henry A. Bull of Buffalo be dismissed. He ruled the suit was launched in Erie County and should be disposed of there.

The judge's ruling on the legality of the case thus denied a motion by Bull that a supreme court order be granted restraining the state from further expenditures of a \$128,000 allocation to Canisius College, a Roman Catholic institution in Buffalo with a large percentage of veterans in its student body.

Had Justice Bookstein granted Bull's motion, state attorneys explained, the entire state-sponsored educational and housing program for veterans would have suffered a severe setback.

Bull, who brought suit as a taxpayer, had argued that state support of an institution with religious background was in violation of certain sections of the state constitution.

Friends of Clarke Memorial College, and particularly former students, will be interested in knowing that McLaurin Hall is being renovated from basement to roof. This includes a complete rewiring job with all the old wires torn out and modern outlets and wall switches installed. The front veranda is being completely rebuilt and the columns repainted. All the rooms are being refinished in a light cream with buff trim. New furniture, contributed by the Newton County Baptist Association, will be installed in fifteen rooms on third floor. Other repairs badly needed include a new furnace and modern bathroom facilities.

The Administration Building needs much repair work; namely, rebuilding the roof, painting and revarnishing all wood work inside and out, rewiring the entire building and the installation of an adequate lighting system, and refinishing the auditorium and seven classrooms.

Work is progressing as rapidly as monies are received on the Strengthening and Improvement Program for Clarke Memorial College.

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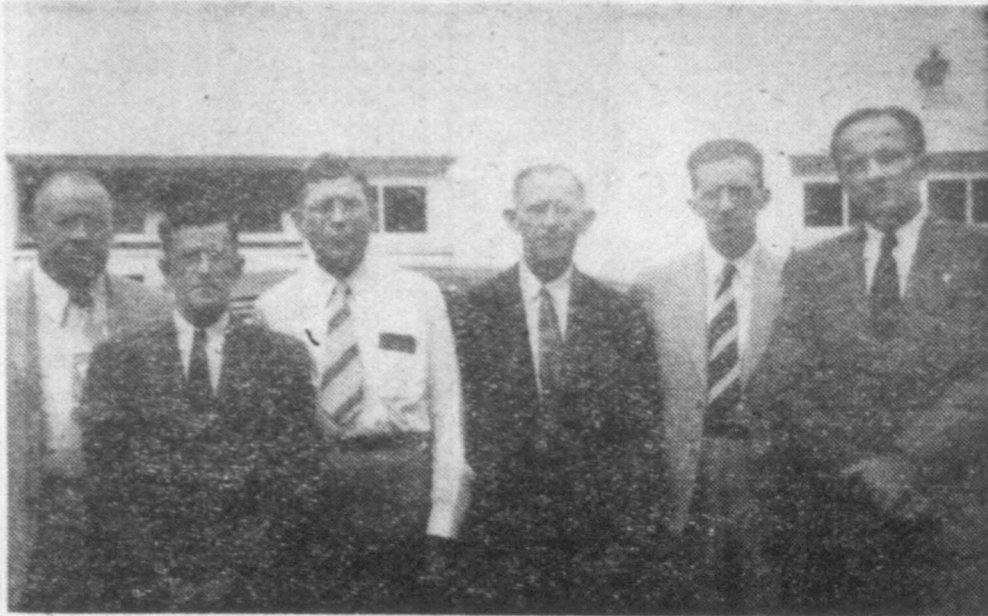
So far as is humanly possible, the home of the pastor and his family should be ideal. It should be a home that the members of the church and community would point to with pride. Such a home would be clean, orderly, systematic, cultural, and Christian. The ideal home can be built and maintained without the riches of the world.—Jerome O. Williams in The Sunday School Builder.





## Brotherhood Department

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JOAN HENDERSON, Office Secretary



The above is a picture of the Mississippi men who attended Brotherhood Week, August 14-20, at Ridgecrest. Standing left to right are: W. R. Roberts, State Secretary; J. H. Mitchell, First Church, Grenada; H. S. Burgner, First Church, Laurel; L. L. Majors, Tangipahoa, Pike county; B. C. Sullivan, Second Avenue, Laurel; and Mr. Lancaster of First Church, Louisville.

### BROTHERHOOD SECRETARIES AT RIDGECREST

The Brotherhood Secretary had the privilege the week of August 14-20 of being in the great Ridgecrest conference on Brotherhood work attended by the fifteen Brotherhood Secretaries of the Southern Baptist Convention territory and directed by our Southwide leaders Messrs. Cooke Schroeder and Latimer, also Dr. John W. McCall, chairman of the Brother-

hood Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. We made plans to sponsor four major projects through our Brotherhoods for 1948. First, Stewardship; second, Man and Boy Movement; third, Church and Denominational Publicity; and fourth, Evangelism. Much will be written about these projects and their promotional plans through this column and the pages of the *Brotherhood News*.

#### SUPPLY WORK

It has been the privilege of the Secretary to supply recently for the following churches: Center Terrace, Canton, C. O. Estes, pastor; Fair River, Lincoln County, Leon Clark, pastor; First Church, Moorhead, O. P. Moore, pastor; Fifteenth Avenue, Meridian, Paul G. Horner, pastor; Raymond, R. L. Wallace, pastor; and First Church, Greenwood, J. H. Kyzar, pastor. It has been a joy to help out in our feeble way in these great churches.

First Church, Danville, Kentucky, of which Mississippian Wayne E. Todd is pastor, has a new softball team. Thus far the boys have played Parksville Baptists three times and Maple Avenue (School) Playground once.

The gadgets of modern civilization do great harm to homes if allowed to release completely children and parents from "chores" that are work but that make character.—Harold E. Ingraham in *The Sunday School Builder*.

The bulletin of First Church, Brookhaven, carried a tribute to Dr. P. I. Lipsey on July 27. Dr. Lipsey on two occasions served as supply pastor of this church and two of his sons are members of the church. Dr. W. Landon Miller is pastor.

A Mississippi pastor who recently accepted a pastorate in adjoining state writes: "I shall miss you brethren in Mississippi, but I expect to keep a check on the work there through your fine paper."

## Help All Causes of Christ Through the Co-operative Program!

JAMES B. PARKER SAYS:

"The Co-operative Program is believed to be scriptural, sensible, and successful. It is growing constantly in favor with our people. The Co-operative Program seeks through the Every Member Canvass every year led by the churches and pastors to provide the funds for promoting evangelism, missions, schools, orphanages, and hospitals. This is scriptural."

Our 1947 GOAL—\$1,000,000 through the Co-operative Program from Mississippi Baptists!

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MERLE WALLEY, Office Secretary

### THE BLOODY MONSTER, DRINK

From one of the most intriguing stories in all the Bible comes this sentence, "It is my son's coat. An evil beast hath devoured him." Genesis 37:33. Jacob had sent his favorite son, Joseph, to ascertain the welfare of his brothers. After the cruel, heartless brothers had taken him and sold him into Egypt, they took his coat of many colors, killed a kid, dipped the coat in the blood of the kid to make it appear that the wild beasts had killed him, and carried it to their father. When Jacob recognized the coat, he exclaimed, "This is my son's coat. An evil beast hath devoured him."

The worst monster that ever lived, beverage alcohol, stalks up and down our land today, and with bloody paw strews death and destruction everywhere. Their name is Legend who could take their stand with Jacob of old, hold their son's coat or their daughter's coat and say, "This is my son's coat. An evil beast hath devoured him."

Crime runs rampant all about us as an ever rising tidal wave, notwithstanding the fact that some would have us believe that since the repeal of the 18th Amendment crime has been steadily decreasing. Just the opposite is true. The latest report from the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Washington shows that in 1946 this crime wave reached a new high. The young people of the United States are spearheading this crime wave, with 17 year old boys and girls taking the lead, followed closely by the 18 year old boys and girls. However, in 1946 the report shows that more 21 year old men and women were arrested than any other age group. These are our young people.

Most of them are of high school age. This disturbing fact is shaking many of our people wide awake. Add to this staggering fact this other one, namely, that a great majority of all crimes committed is traceable to drink. This bloody monster, drink, is taking a heavy toll.

In 1945, Judge Fred F. Baile, who for eight years was Juvenile Judge in Ohio, came to Mississippi and spoke in many of our schools and churches. He told us that during the eight years as Juvenile Judge, an average of 1600 boys and girls stood before him annually who were charged with crime. This broke his heart and caused him to leave his law office and give his full time to a crusade against liquor, endeavoring to save our youth from ship wreck and disaster. According to his testimony, most of these crimes were traceable to drink, many of the young people saying, "I just had a beer or two."

It is no wonder that more and more of our young people are taking to the habit of drink and are becoming criminals. The liquor industry has not left us in doubt as to their purpose. They have repeatedly told us that they are out to make drinkers of our youth. Just after the repeal of the 18th Amendment, they put in their *Brewers Digest*, "We must train up a drinking youth". It can be truthfully said of them, "They seek the young child's life". Judge Baile was right when he said, "The human family is the only part of God's creation that will prey on its young."

Any crusade against lawlessness and crime, therefore, must needs be directed against liquor, the crime breeder.

(Continued next week)

## Mississippi Calendar Of Prayer

September 1—State Mission Season of Prayer, September 8-12; J. A. Travis, Baptist Foundation Secretary.  
September 2—Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; Dr. Helen Shaw, Blue Mountain College Faculty.  
September 3—C. A. Roper, Baptist Hospital Trustee; Dr. Ira B. Seale, Trustee Baptist Memorial Hospital.  
September 4—Dr. T. M. Hederman, Mississippi College Trustee; Rev. Joe Hudson, Jeff Davis County Board Member.  
September 5—Harry Smallwood, Southwide Brotherhood Executive Committee.  
September 6—Wm. S. Fulton, Mississippi College Faculty; L. D. Clements, Yalobusha Association Training Union Director.  
September 7—Rev. S. E. Sumrall, Clarke College Trustee; D. A. Spence, Vice-President of District One Brotherhood.

There were 15 additions to Paynes Church during the revival August 2-8. Rev. Jack Cranford, pastor of Iuka Church, was the preacher and Rev. P. O. Davidson, pastor at Oakville, Tennessee, led the singing. Rev. Charles Everitt is pastor.

Rev. James A. Bryant, pastor of Calvary Church, Pricedale, will direct a visitation-evangelism campaign with 50 churches in three counties of Western New York, working out of Perry, N.Y., August 31-September 21. One hundred cities and towns are to be covered with services in high schools, shops, and factories.

## Changes Among The Churches

By Rev. Leon V. Young  
**CALLED AND ACCEPTED**  
S. L. Lanim, First Bryson City, N.C. from Avondale, N.C.  
Edgar J. Burkholder, Williesburg, Va. from J. M. Bond, Sunshine, Ky., from Keokuk, Ky.  
H. H. Stenbridge, Forest City, N. C. from Paducah, Ky.  
C. A. Francis, Nashville, N.C.  
Clem Ray, Delaware, Okla., from Bartlesville, Ky.  
Ralph B. White, Twelfth St., Paducah, Ky., from East, Louisville, Ky.  
John T. Cohurn, Fifth, Washington, D. C.  
Frank Kale, Culpepper, Va.  
Ben Hynes, Manly Memorial, Lexington, Va.  
O. O. Haley, Holden, La.

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Dr. James Stewart, from 1937-44 pastor in Mississippi, and more recently pastor of Broadway Church, Louisville, Kentucky, has resigned the Louisville pastorate and accepted the call of Riverside Church, Jacksonville, Florida. The Stewarts moved to their new field August first.

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Abstaining from liquor, declining association with those who drink, refusing to accept invitations to social functions where liquor is served—this personal testimony will influence everyone who trusts us.—John L. Hill in *The Sunday School Builder*.



"Praise ye the Lord. O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good: for his mercy endureth forever." Psalms 106:1



Department  
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Music  
LUTHER A. HARRISON, Secretary

"O sing unto the Lord a new song; for he hath done marvelous things." Psalms 98:1



COMBINED CHOIRS  
MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH

The Macedonia Baptist Church, Lincoln county, Rev. A. W. Talbert, Pastor, is one of the largest rural churches in the south.

The above choirs sang for the revival meeting held with W. L. Compere preaching and L. A. Harrison directing the music. 101 persons were in the choirs when this picture was made. Men at the left and young people at the right are not shown in the picture.

STATE MUSIC CONVENTION—October 3rd and 4th,  
1947, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi.

## SPARKS & SPLINTERS

The following have been recent visitors to the Baptist Record office: Rev. B. E. Phillips, New Hebron; Rev. M. D. Morton, Crystal Springs; Mrs. Bill Boutwell, Laurel; Rev. and Mrs. S. W. Valentine, Jackson; Rev. Melvin T. Wilson, Liberty; Miss Anita Headrick, Laurel; Mrs. John Vandercreek and Paul Vandercreek, Jackson; Lois Robbins, Jackson; Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bailey, Tylertown; Rev. C. O. Daniels, Scooba; Allen Steelman, William E. Overstreet, Rev. Willie P. Spiers, Ocean Springs; Ralph V. Walker, Sr., Ft. Bayou; N. V. Parker, Perkinston; Dr. Wm. H. Evans, Livingston, Ala.; Rev. S. B. Harrington, Tchula; Rev. R. D. Pearson, Macon; Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Whitehead, Mr. and Mrs. Selby Sullivan, Mr. A. T. Whitehead, Louisville; Rev. and Mrs. H. E. Kennedy, Collinsville, Ala.

**Arcola Baptist Church:** Recently we experienced a gracious revival meeting. Rev. J. W. Sturdivant of Merigold, did the preaching in a very acceptable manner. He is gifted as an Evangelist and his sermons were greatly enjoyed by the people of the community. There were six who came for Baptism during the revival and one for baptism since.—REV. J. W. T. SILER, Pastor.

**Rev. Bryan Simmons** was the guest minister during the recent revival meeting at Pleasant Hill Church, Greene county, and Eldridge Turner of Alabama, but a native of the Pleasant Hill community, led the singing. There were 3 professions of faith. Although the church gives twenty-five per cent of its regular offerings to the Cooperative Program, at the close of the meeting it voted a special offering for that cause. The church also instructed the deacons to have the building wired for electricity. Rev. W. L. Yeatman is pastor.

**Second Avenue Baptist Church, Laurel, Mississippi,** of which Reverend J. H. Street is pastor, has just completed a very successful Vacation Bible School. One hundred ninety-two were enrolled with an average attendance of 164. There were 11 conversions. The morning offerings amounted to \$86.34, and were designated to go to Christian Education. Mrs. P. C. Risher very ably served as principal of the school. She was assisted by a most efficient staff of 34 workers.

The fall session of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, will begin September 9. Registration begins at 2:00 p.m. on September 5. Registrar S. A. Newman predicts a record enrollment of 1100 to 1150. Last year's enrollment was 1067.

**BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., August 23—**Mr. Malcolm Gillis, professor of mathematics at the University of Florida, will become head of the department of mathematics at Blue Mountain College September 11. Mr. Gillis received the B.A. degree from Mississippi College and the M.A. degree from the University of Chicago.

**Rev. Glenn Crawford** led in a revival meeting at Calvin Baptist Church, Toronto, Canada, June 22-July 6. Pastor R. F. Robbins says that pastor and people were blessed through the ministry of Mr. Crawford.

**Bruce: Dr. Chas. D. Johnson** who holds the Chair of Journalism in Baylor University, Waco, Texas and who is Chairman of the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention Board, which meets in Ridgecrest, N.C. Aug. 25-28th, stopped by to visit with his mother Mrs. Vandy Johnson and other relatives in Bruce last Friday and Saturday. Dr. Johnson is a native son of Calhoun county.

During the last week in July the Training Union of Forty-First Avenue Baptist Church of Meridian sponsored a mission VBS at a negro church in a near-by rural area. The enrollment was 35. The regular Bible School procedure and program was followed throughout the entire week with Commencement on Friday evening. The workers from Forty-First Avenue Church who composed the faculty were: Frances Kinard, principal; Mrs. Iva Sanderford, Mrs. Vena Neal, Miss Mary Walters, W. A. McPheeters, Herbert Rucker, Charles Tassis, and J. B. Gough.

**Pastor Marvin Huffstatter** and the Hickory Grove Church, Tate County, were assisted in their annual revival recently by Rev. F. C. McFutridge of Coldwater. Pastor Huffstatter led the singing. There were 19 additions, 12 for baptism.

**Pastor J. C. Jolly** and Remus Church, Leake county, were assisted in their recent revival by Rev. J. C. Bryant, Walnut Grove. There were 5 additions, all for baptism. Large crowds attended. Among the converts were a young man and his mother.

**Pastor Melvin T. Wilson** and East Fork Church in Amite County were assisted in a revival July 20-August 1 by Rev. W. J. Dorman, pastor Carrollton Avenue Church, New Orleans. Pastor Wilson feels that it was one of the best the church has ever had. There were 13 additions, 10 by baptism.

According to Pastor E. S. Hall "The Lord certainly blessed our community, our church, and all who came to any of the services during the youth revival at Martin Church, Union county, August 10-17." The church had a membership of 78. During the revival there were 74 additions, 55 by baptism and one young lady dedicated her life to mission service. Two Clarke Memorial College students, Rev. L. G. Camp and Rev. Billy R. Green did the preaching and led the singing. Wayne Smith of the Pleasant Ridge Church played the piano and assisted with the Young People's work.

**Mrs. H. B. King**, Sunday School Secretary, reports a very successful revival at Strong Hope Church, Copiah county. There were 10 additions, 6 by baptism. The visiting preacher was Dr. R. P. Butler of Wiggins. Rev. Martin Douglas is pastor.

**Rev. H. L. Davis** of Hattiesburg preached at the revival meeting at Cold Springs Church, Covington County, July 13-18. The pastor, Rev. Alex Abercrombie, led the singing. There were 16 additions.

**Rev. C. O. White**, former Army Chaplain, and now pastor at Piedmont, Missouri, would like to move back to Mississippi. Physicians have advised him that his wife's health demands a change in location. Mr. White is a native of Mississippi, and a graduate of Mississippi College and did an outstanding work as Chaplain during the recent war. He was one of 2 chaplains who received commendations for outstanding work among returned casualties. Anyone desiring further information may write Dr. J. B. Lawrence, of the Home Mission Board or Dr. Louie Newton, pastor of Druid Hills Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia.

**Rev. Alex Abercrombie** was the guest preacher at Military Church near Sumrall. The pastor, Rev. H. L. Davis, speaks in highest terms of Mr. Abercrombie and feels that the church was greatly blessed by his presence.

**Rev. Pal H. Cranford** of Lumberton assisted Rev. H. L. Davis and the Central Church in Lebanon Association in a revival meeting August 10-15. There were 10 additions.

## JUDD TELLS DISCIPLES U. S. FAILED CHINESE

**BUFFALO, N.Y. —(RNS)—**Dr. Walter E. Judd, Republican Congressman from Minnesota, addressing the closing session here of the World Convention of Churches of Christ (Disciples), accused the U.S. and Russia of abandoning China after that country had tried to help them in their war against Japan.

The former medical missionary to China said that nation might have fared better if she had been our enemy in World War II.

"If China had been our enemy instead of our ally, we would now be attempting to give her good government and supporting her economy with loans," Dr. Judd said. "When governments fail to carry out their promises, then it's the time for Christian churches to prove that honesty and integrity still exist."


"The reason the people of China need Christ is the same reason you and I need Him. They have suffered with all humanity from the effects of war and far more than us. Their economic and social systems have been disrupted."

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## Census Of Religious Bodies In Doubt

**WASHINGTON, D. C. —(RNS)—**The census of religious bodies, authorized by the 79th Congress but virtually ignored by the recently adjourned 80th Congress, may not be taken by the Bureau of the Census.

While no decision has yet been announced by attorneys in the Department of Commerce, it is widely felt here that the slash in funds requested by the Census Bureau for the religious survey and the enactment of Public Law 103, which permits church groups to withhold membership statistics, militate against making such a census would have small usefulness.



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## The Challenge of the Holy Spirit

Summary of a sermon preached in the First Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi.

By Dr. W. Douglas Hudgens, Pastor

Text: "As many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are the Sons of God." Romans 8:14.

Some weeks ago I tried to bring to you a message on the ministry of the Holy Spirit. At that time we spoke on the "Holy Spirit As Our Teacher." This morning we speak again of the Holy Spirit, fixing our attention upon Him in a particular function of His work as Teacher. As a master pedagogue constantly urges and inspires his pupils to greater knowledge and larger achievements, so the Holy Spirit challenges the Christian to ever increasing growth and attainment.

The Apostle Paul has a great deal to say of the Holy Spirit but what he says about Him is not contradictory, but complimentary, to the teachings of the Savior.

"As many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are the sons of God." Paul of course is writing to Christians. His statement is clear and succinct. The emphasis, it seems to me, is upon the word LED—not upon the fact that a Christian is a son of God. As many as are LED by the Spirit! The nature and purpose of the Holy Spirit is clear. Not sons of God because we are led, but because WE ARE sons we CAN BE led. The major emphasis is upon the fact that the Holy Spirit challenges every son with a real leadership. Naturally, before one can be led by the Spirit one must be a son of God. Due emphasis is placed in inference upon the necessity and compulsion of the sonship that is possible only in Christ by means of the New Birth. One must be a son of God through the regeneration of the Holy Spirit before one can be a follower of the Holy Spirit in consecration.

"As many as are LED by the Spirit!" To lead one must pioneer. To be out in front one must excel. To urge others to attain a goal one more adequately can speak of it if one has reached it oneself. If the Holy Spirit is urging men to follow Him He must be in a position in which He can urge men to follow and attain greater spiritual heights. If the Holy Spirit is seeking to "lead" the sons of God, perhaps there is a function in His ministry that we have overlooked. Several truths concerning the Holy Spirit must be fixed firmly in our thinking before we are prepared to consider Him as a "Challenger."

### The Holy Spirit in the Bible

Many times the Holy Spirit is spoken of in the Old Testament. He is spoken of as the agent in creation. He is said to be omni-present in the Universe. Individuals are used by Him. God's people have been instructed by Him. Witness His work with God's people in the time of Nehemiah. (Neh. 9:20). He it is that empowers God's purpose in the world. (Zech. 4:6.)

He is completely revealed in the New Testament. At the baptism of our Lord He is evident. At the transfiguration experience. He is manifest with the Father and the Son. Spoken of by Jesus in the Upper Room experience on the night before the crucifixion. He is revealed in manifest power at Pentecost. In the many missionary experiences recorded in the Book of Acts His leadership is apparent. As a climax to the Revelation "The Spirit and the Bride say

come!"

The Holy Spirit, as He is revealed in the World of God, is not an ephemeral, ghost-like semi-substance, but is a PERSON—a spiritual reality. He is Christ's "alter ego," or other self. As one of the theologians of our day has put it, "Christ is God in historical manifestation; the Holy Spirit is Christ in inner spiritual realization." Or, he continues, "Christ is truth as an objective fact; the Holy Spirit is truth in inner experience."

Unless we understand the Holy Spirit as a personality we cannot grasp the truth about him. Those who know the language of the New Testament tell us that although the word for Spirit, "pneuma," is neuter, the relative used with the word is always masculine in gender. The Holy Spirit, then, always is "He" or "Him," and never "it." Too, the Holy Spirit, possesses personal attributes. He seals, anoints, empowers and guides. He may be grieved. He may be rejected. Only as we realize that the Holy Spirit is a personality can we come to understand Him and His work.

### The Holy Spirit and the Individual

Our text speaks of men being led by the Spirit. There is a direct relationship between the Spirit and the individual. Jesus said to Nicodemus, "Except one be born of the Spirit he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God." Paul said, "In whom ye are sealed by the Spirit;" "Be filled with the Spirit;" and "Grieve not the Holy Spirit." Being born of the Spirit, the individual Christian citally is related to the Spirit.

The Holy Spirit can have but ONE relationship to the unsaved man, many to the Christian. The only thing the Holy Spirit can do to or for the unsaved man is to lead him to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and be the agent in regenerating him as he exercises faith in the Son of God as Savior.

In all these relationships with the individual, the work of the Holy Spirit is to EXALT AND GLORIFY CHRIST! Jesus said to Him, "He shall testify of ME." That is the work of the Holy Spirit. God's full and complete revelation was made in Jesus Christ, His Son. The work of the Holy Spirit is to testify to and witness concerning the Son, God's final word to man.

### The Holy Spirit and His Challenge

"As many as are LED by the Spirit!" Paul evidently was thinking of the Holy Spirit as One urging the Christian constantly to higher ground and greater goals.

Jesus, Himself, gives us this same emphasis in His description of the Spirit. He is called the PARACLETE, a transliteration from the word para, alongside; and kaleo, to call. The paraclete, or One called alongside. The King James version in its effort to make plain the thought of the statement took the Latin words ad, meaning to, and voco, meaning to call—and translated paraclete as ADVOCATE, or COMFORTER. This translation has caused multitudes of people to think of the Holy Spirit simply as the great Comforter. So He is; but He is much more. He is one called alongside the Christian to intercede with Him for God, just as the ascended Savior is interceding with God for Christian.

If the Holy Spirit be the Divine One called alongside the Christian to strengthen, empower, infill and indwell—can it not be true, likewise,

## Religion Can Achieve World Peace, Says Nobel Prize Winner

BOSTON (RNS)—The 80-year-old American woman who, with a fellow-countryman, Dr. John R. Mott, shares the Nobel Peace Prize for 1946, believes the religious-minded people of the United States and the world, have not yet begun to utilize the resources of religion to achieve world peace.

Miss Emily G. Balch of Wellesley, Mass., distinguished social worker, author and linguist, who has given a lifetime of service to the cause of peace, in private life is a modestly-spoken member of the Society of Friends, with an ultimate faith in peace on earth unshaken by the threatening forces of war.

"We are enemies of mankind," Miss Balch says, "if we say that another war is inevitable."

Miss Balch's confidence that the leaders and peoples of the world can win peace if they will call upon "the great forces of morality and brotherhood," is based, she says, upon what she has seen religion do for mankind in her own lifetime.

"My optimism is a very tough growth," she declared. "I have lived for 80 years and I have seen things grow and develop that would have been fantastic in any other period of history. I think we're inching along towards peace, towards one world—in some ways surprisingly fast."

"In spite of fear and suspicion on both sides, for example, we can still sit down and talk with Russia."

To say despairingly that religion "hasn't worked" in the affairs of men is to be "considerably less than realistic," Miss Balch believes, about the "enormous amount accomplished both by organized religion and by the religion in one's heart."

"In my own lifetime," she stresses, "I have seen a remarkable development take place in people themselves. I think people are kinder and more honest than they used to be."

"We treat children differently today than we did in previous generations. I think husbands treat their wives differently. We attack drunkenness and crime with another approach. To say that we cannot find some way of getting rid of war is to have little faith, indeed, in mankind."

"Just think, for example, of the progress we've made in our attitude toward other religions! We no longer think—at least intelligent people don't—that other people are damned who do not think exactly the way we do." Russia, Miss Balch admits, "makes it very hard for her friends most of the time." But there has grown up about Russia a hysteria, she adds, which, in itself, is a

that the Holy Spirit is One who would CALL US UP ALONGSIDE HIM? He called alongside us; why not WE, called up alongside Him? May that not be what Paul had in mind when he said, "As many as are LED by the Spirit of God, these are the sons of God?" Does not the Holy Spirit challenge you and me to "come up alongside," we, individually and as a church—will be in personnel, regenerate; in proclamation, Christ-centered; in prayer, united; in performance, Christian; in program, missionary; and in passion, evangelistic.

"great hazard—a hazard because it engenders fear, the most dangerous passion to come out of war."

"Even the most mild and timid creatures," Miss Balch reminds you, "when they are thoroughly frightened, are capable of unbelievable ferocity. To surrender, out of our fears, to violence, would be an unthinkable calamity."

"I think many of the things Russia does are intolerable," Miss Balch points out, "but it is grotesque childishness to think that we can make the Russians believe in human liberty and stop having concentration camps by fighting them. You can't convert a people with guns; the blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church."

The slim, white-haired woman, whose mental energies belie her years, says the worst thing that could happen would be for people to despair of peace or to leave its outcome "to the politicians, the diplomats or to soldiers." she emphasizes. "We can win it with far less devotion and unselfishness than we give to war."

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## Pastor Completes New Translation Of Testament

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—(RNS)—The job last—a new translation, from the Greek, of the New Testament by Dr. George Swann, pastor of Edenside Christian Church here.

Dr. Swann has made his verses about four times as long as those in the King James version, and has given each verse a heading, to preserve unity of thought. The translator said he found the short, sometimes choppy, verses of the King James version cut one thought into several verses. The headings, while indexed, are chiefly for typographical appearance, he explained.

The biggest innovation in Dr. Swann's work is the consecutive numbering of verses, beginning with 1 in Matthew and ending with 1,782 in Revelation. This feature, he pointed out, will make it easy for everyone to find any passage he seeks. His introduction points out that many persons are embarrassed by trying to find some of the old-style references by book, chapter, and verse.

Dr. Swann's work, being published by Pentecostal Publishing Company in Louisville, is expected to be off the press shortly.

Dr. Swann said no translation has ever surpassed the King James version for beautiful rhythm and that he has "made earnest effort to retain the rhythm and to add to it."

Dr. Swann's version carries at the top of each page the corresponding chapters and verses of the King James.

The translator is the author of 20 books and of a new type of printing. He also has waged a vigorous campaign here for the revision of the public school curriculum. He says a new translation of the Bible should be made every 200 years or so because of changes in language.

His translation is set in newspaper type, and so arranged that with its bold numbers and verse headings, it is quite easy to read.